An Overview of



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Who am I

- Director of NLnet Labs, a charity working on open standards and open source software
 - NSD, Unbound, Idns, Net::DNS, Net::DNS::SEC
 - DNSSEC evangineering
- Previously @ RIPE NCC: responsible for DNSSEC deplopyment
 - DNSEXT chair 2001-2006
 - IAB member since, 2006 chair since 2007





DNS

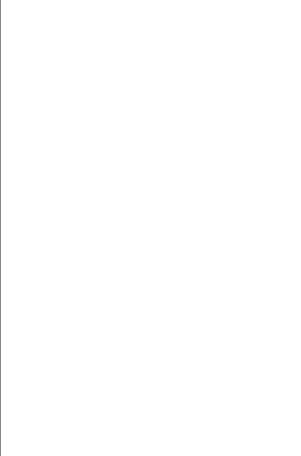
- Domain Name System
- Provides the mapping from names to resources
- A global, distributed, loosely coherent system
- Almost all transactions on the Internet use the DNS



DNS has a distributed nature

- Authoritative servers all provide part of the name space
- User devices query a local server that maintains a cache
 - For better performance
 - For scalability of the system as a whole



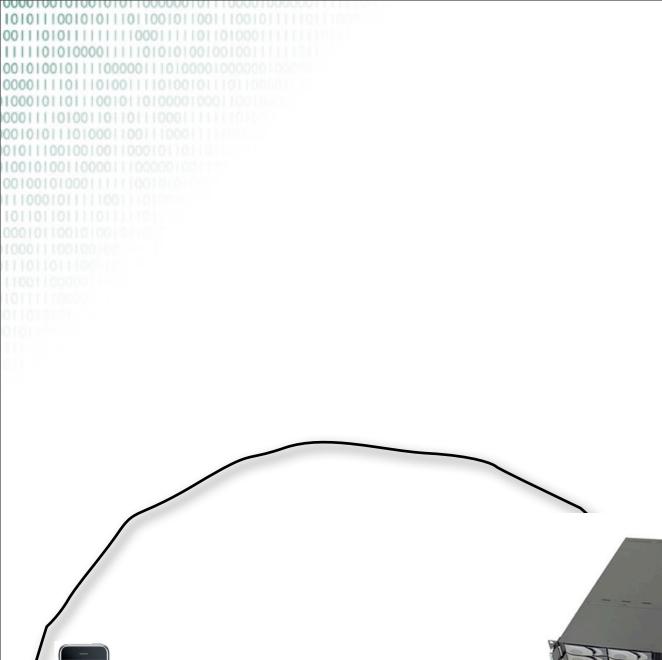


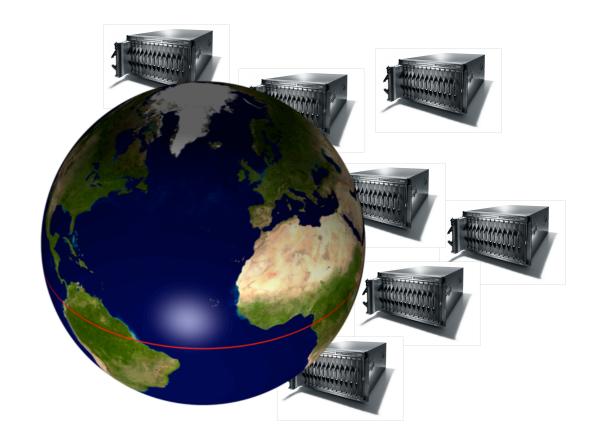
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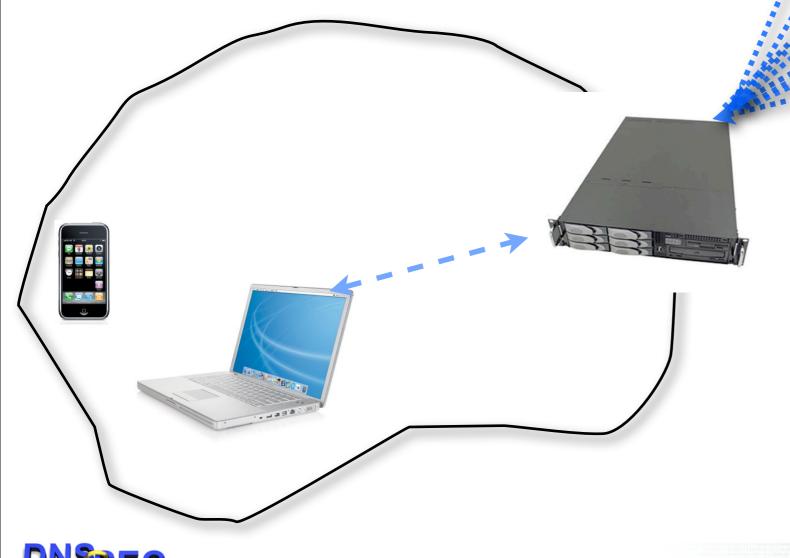
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Look up against recursive servers

Recursive servers query authoritative servers

Recursive servers cache results

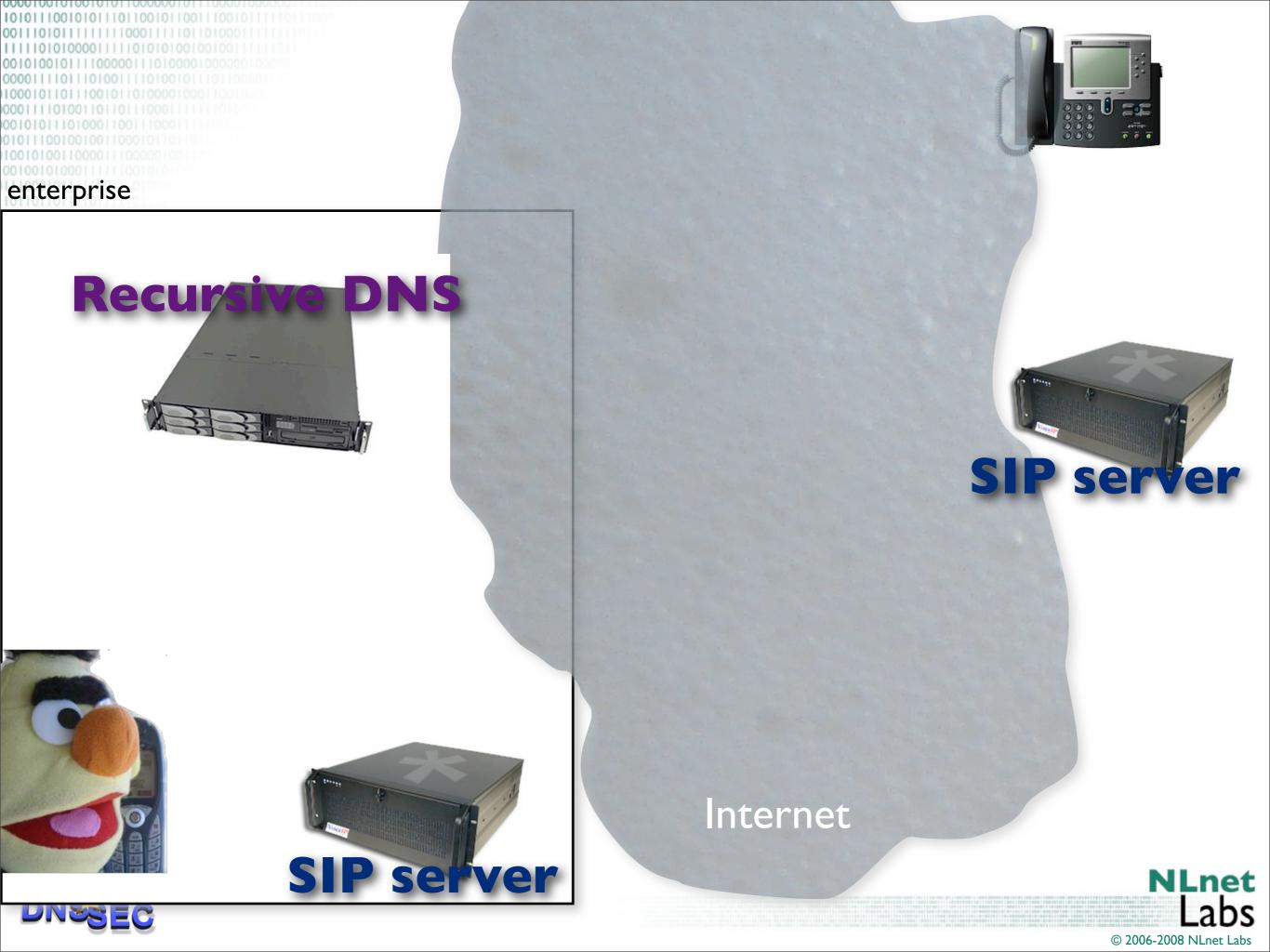


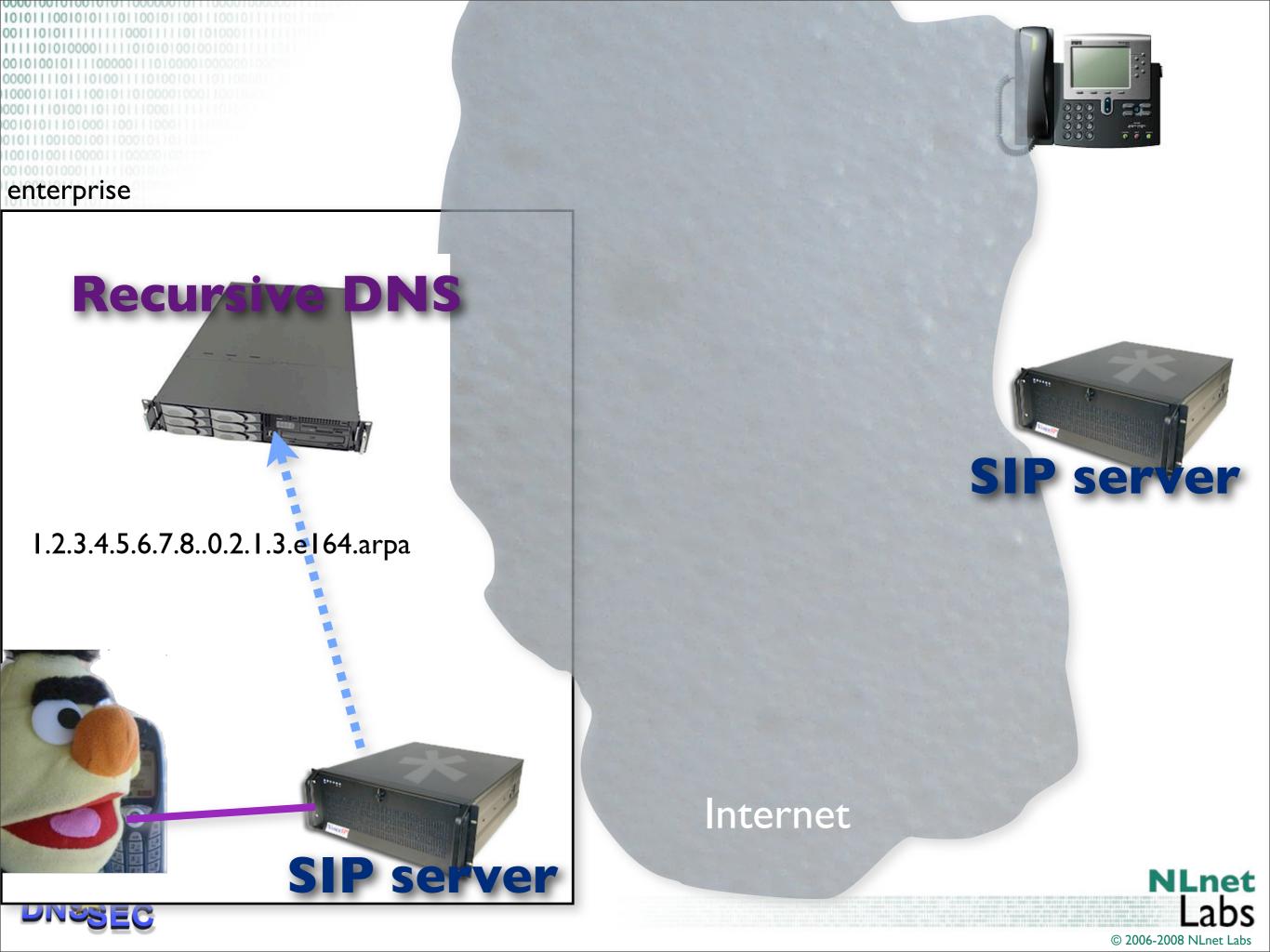


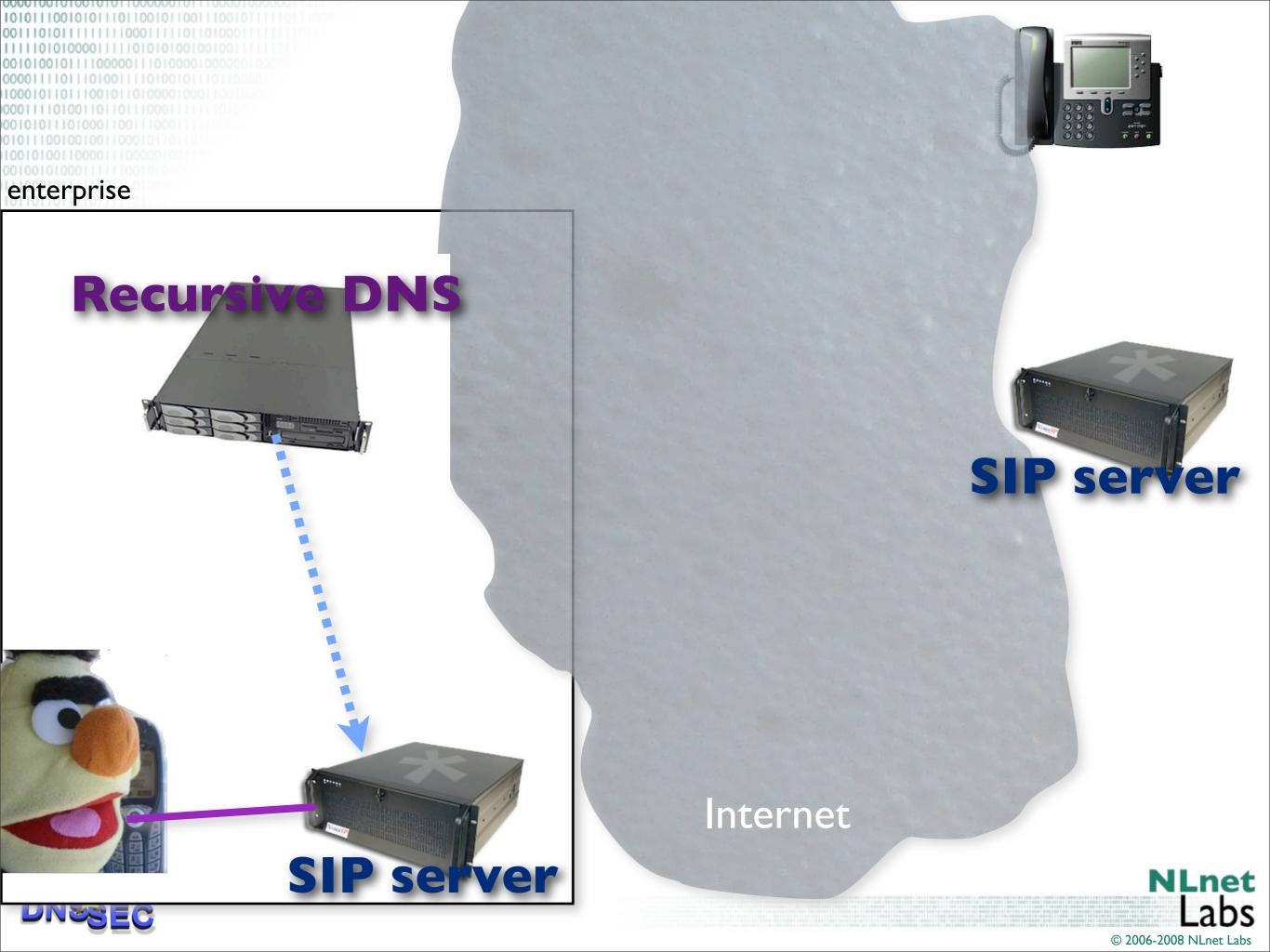
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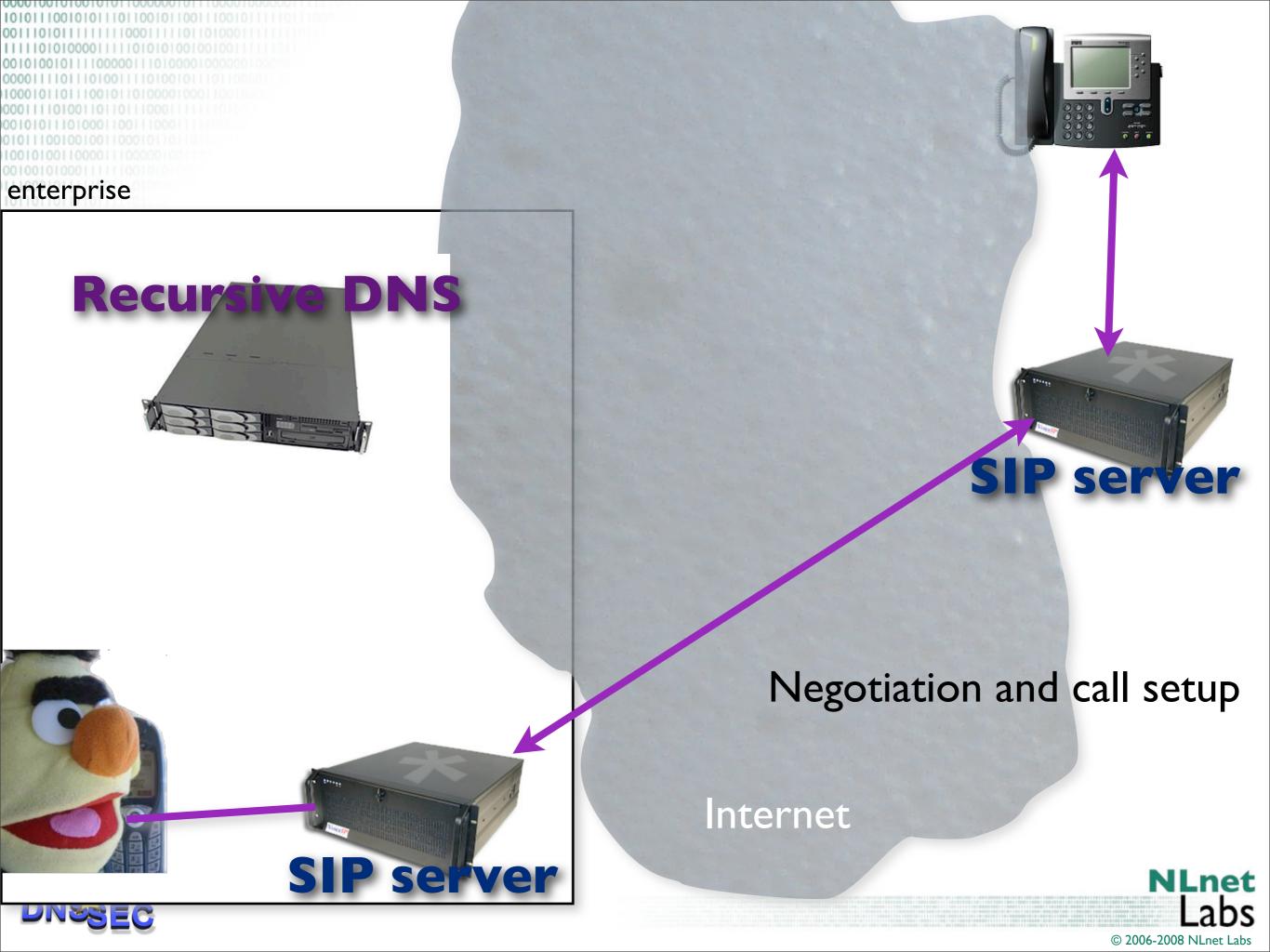
- Anytime that you need to know where the other guy is
- DNS is the phone book of the Internet
- So it is used when people make a voice over IP call

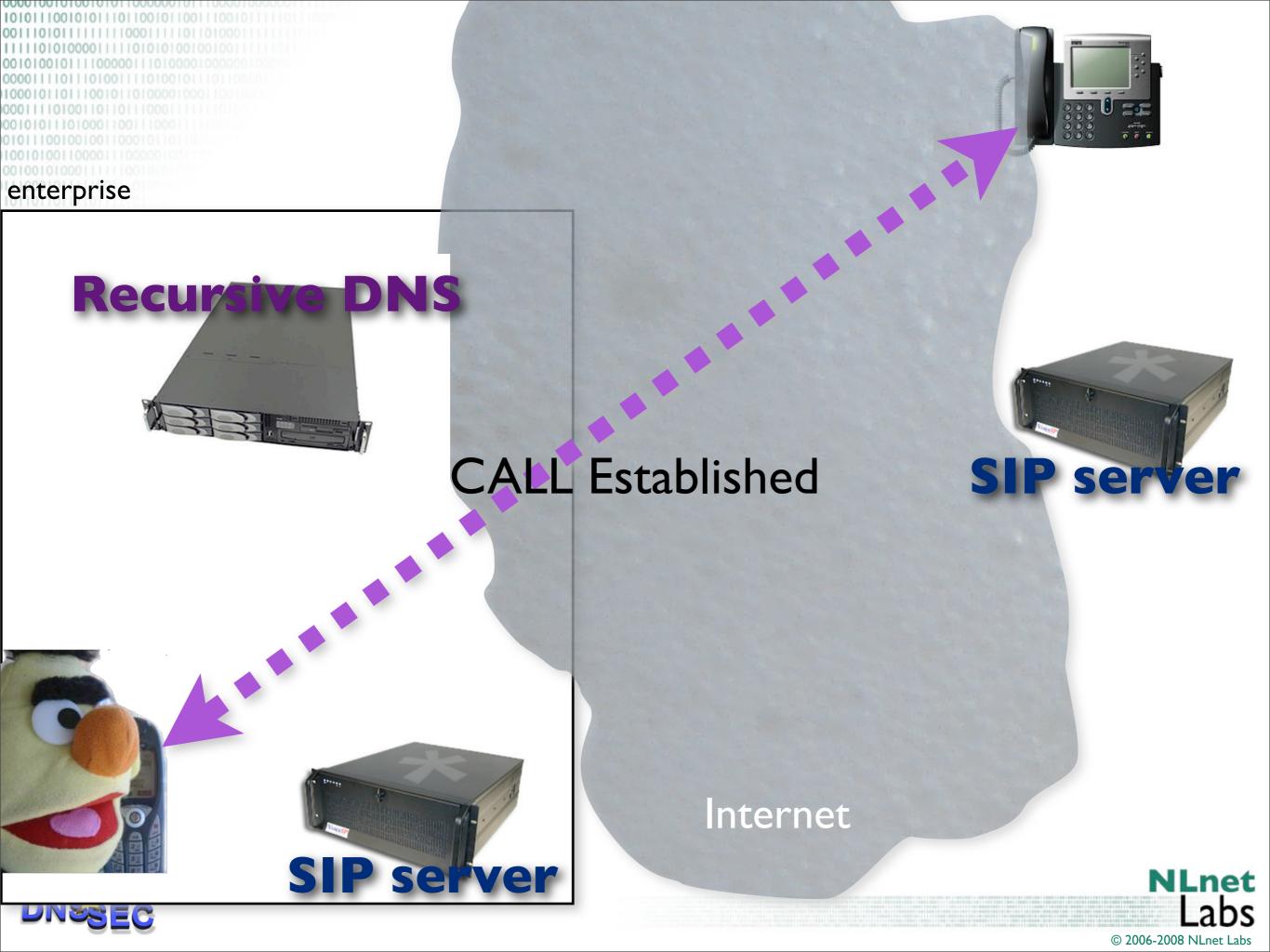








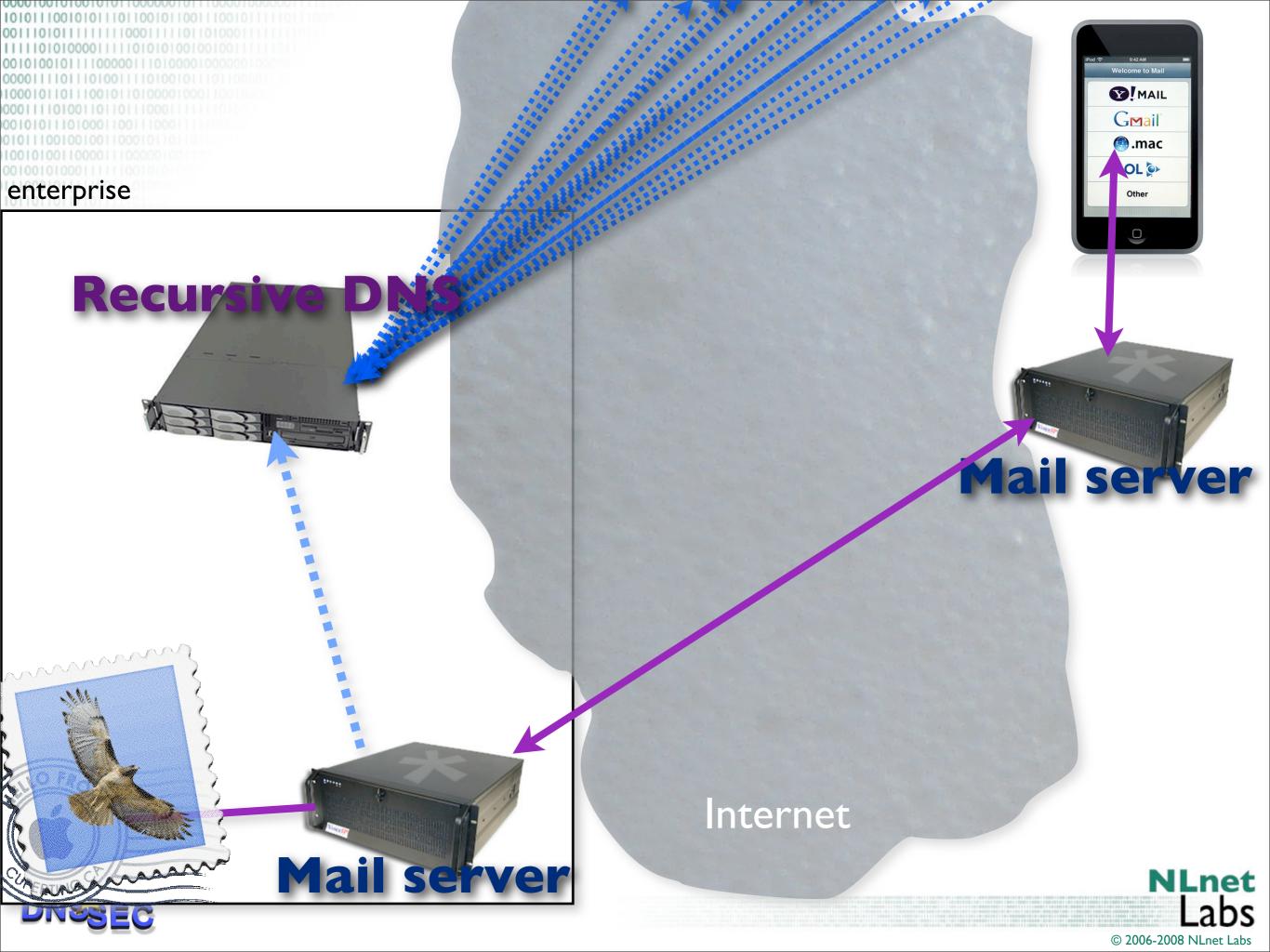




Or they use the DNS when sending MAIL

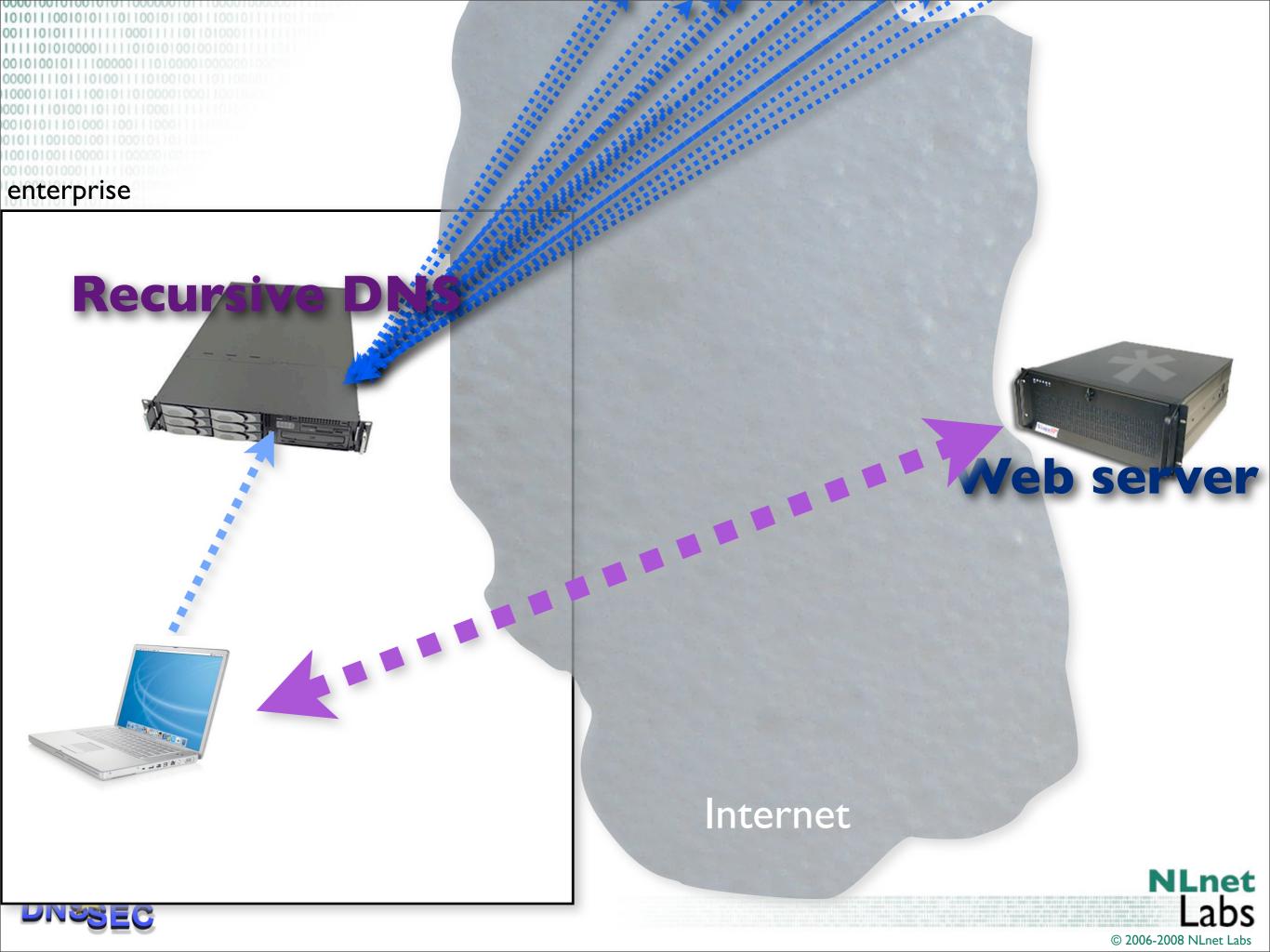






Or they use the DNS when browsing the Web





Or they use the DNS

- When downloading Software upgrades
- Sharing their agenda
- Uploading tax forms
- Instant messaging with friends
- Connect to their security camera
- Figure out the latest news about that merger



So DNS is IMPORTANT

- How would an attacker use the DNS for attacks?
- By fooling the receiver that a service lies elsewhere



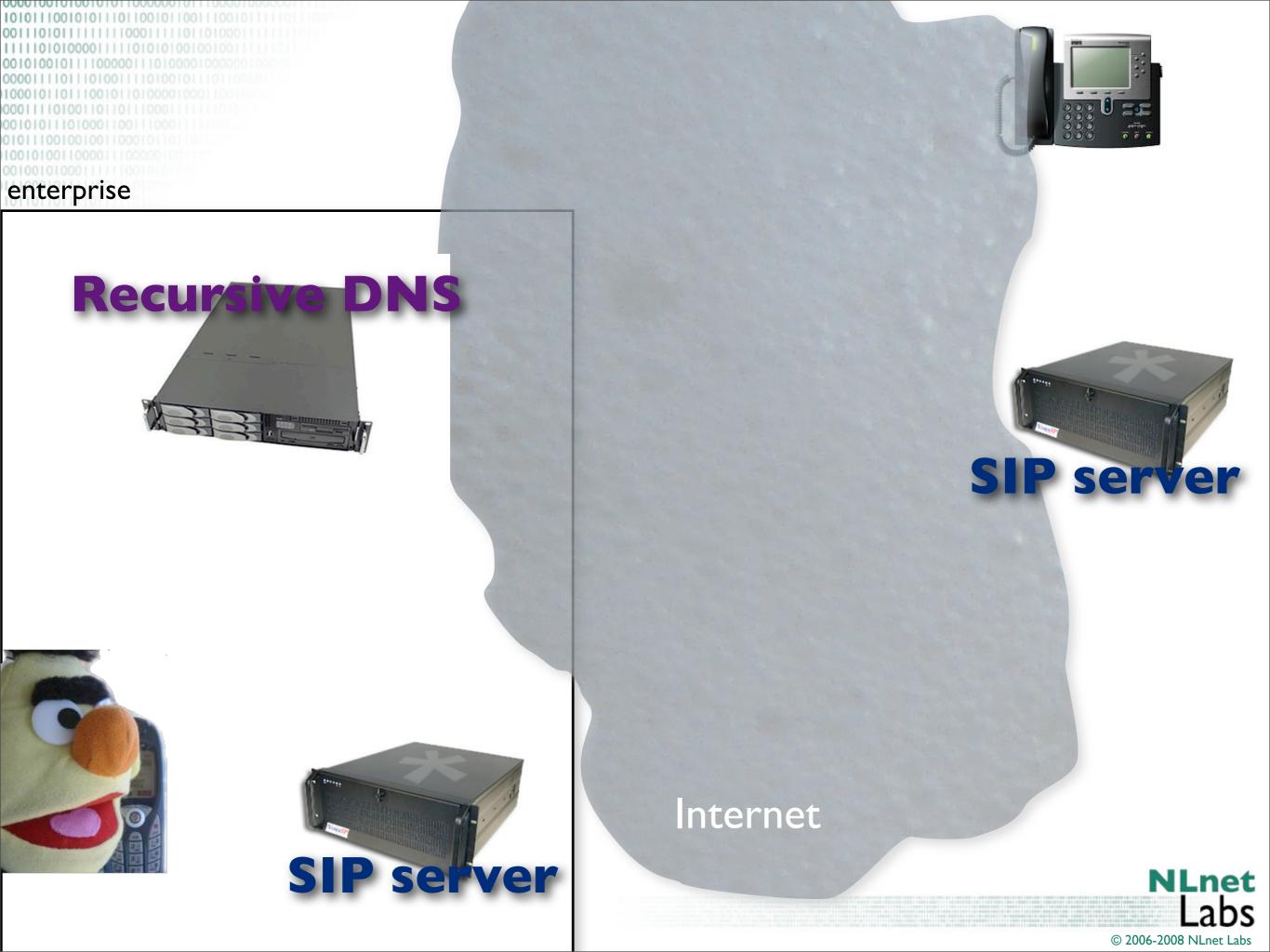
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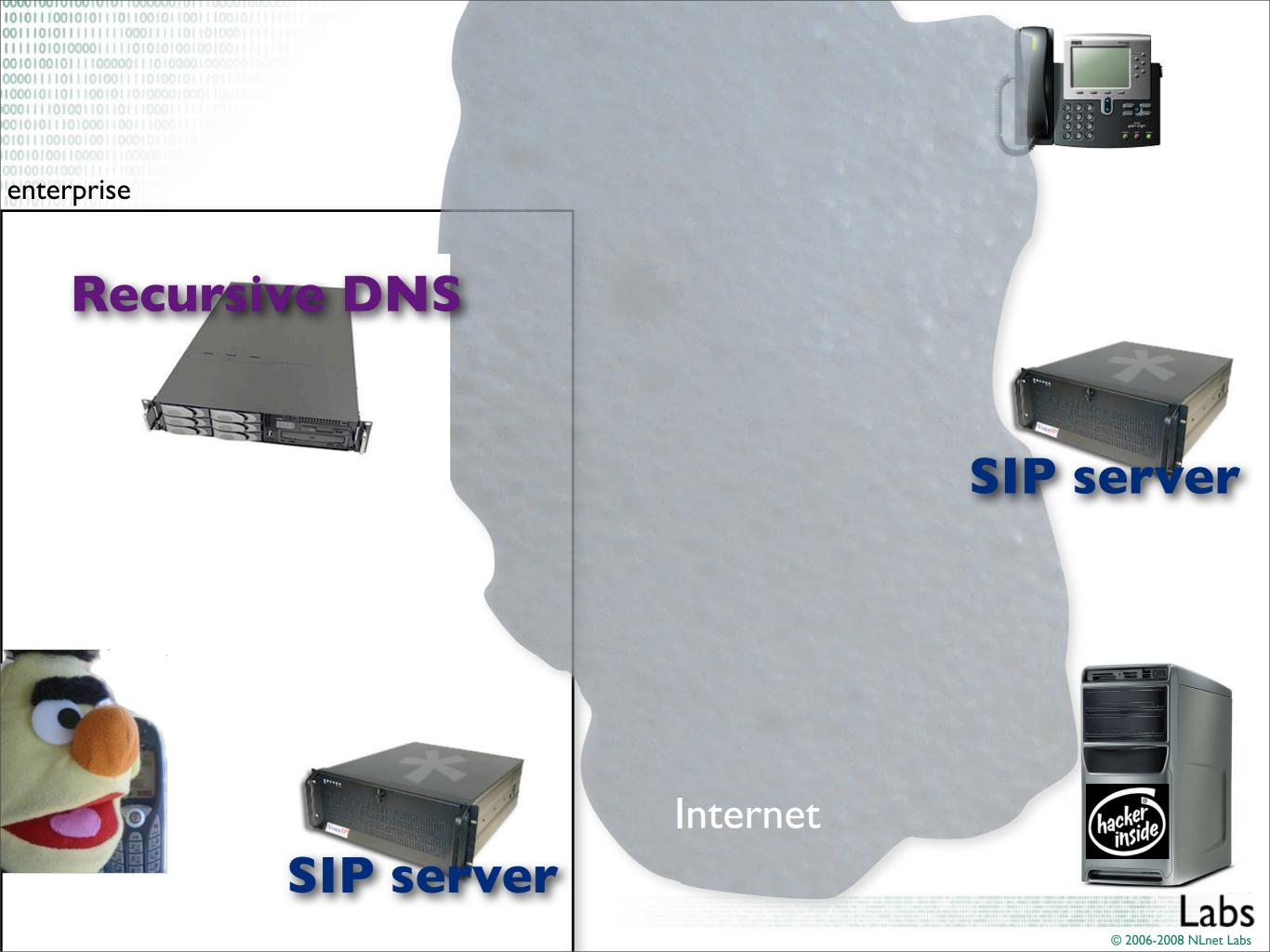
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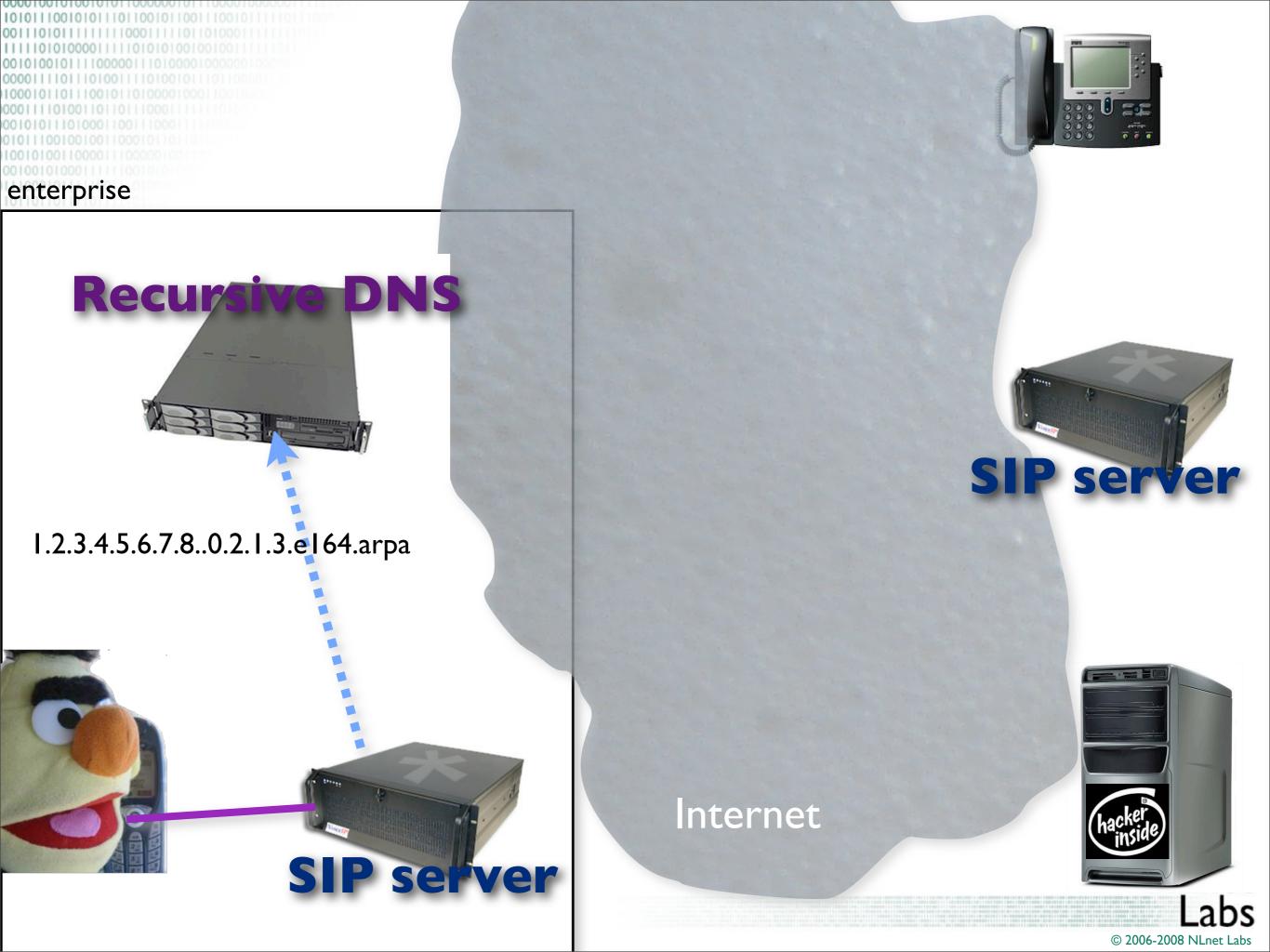
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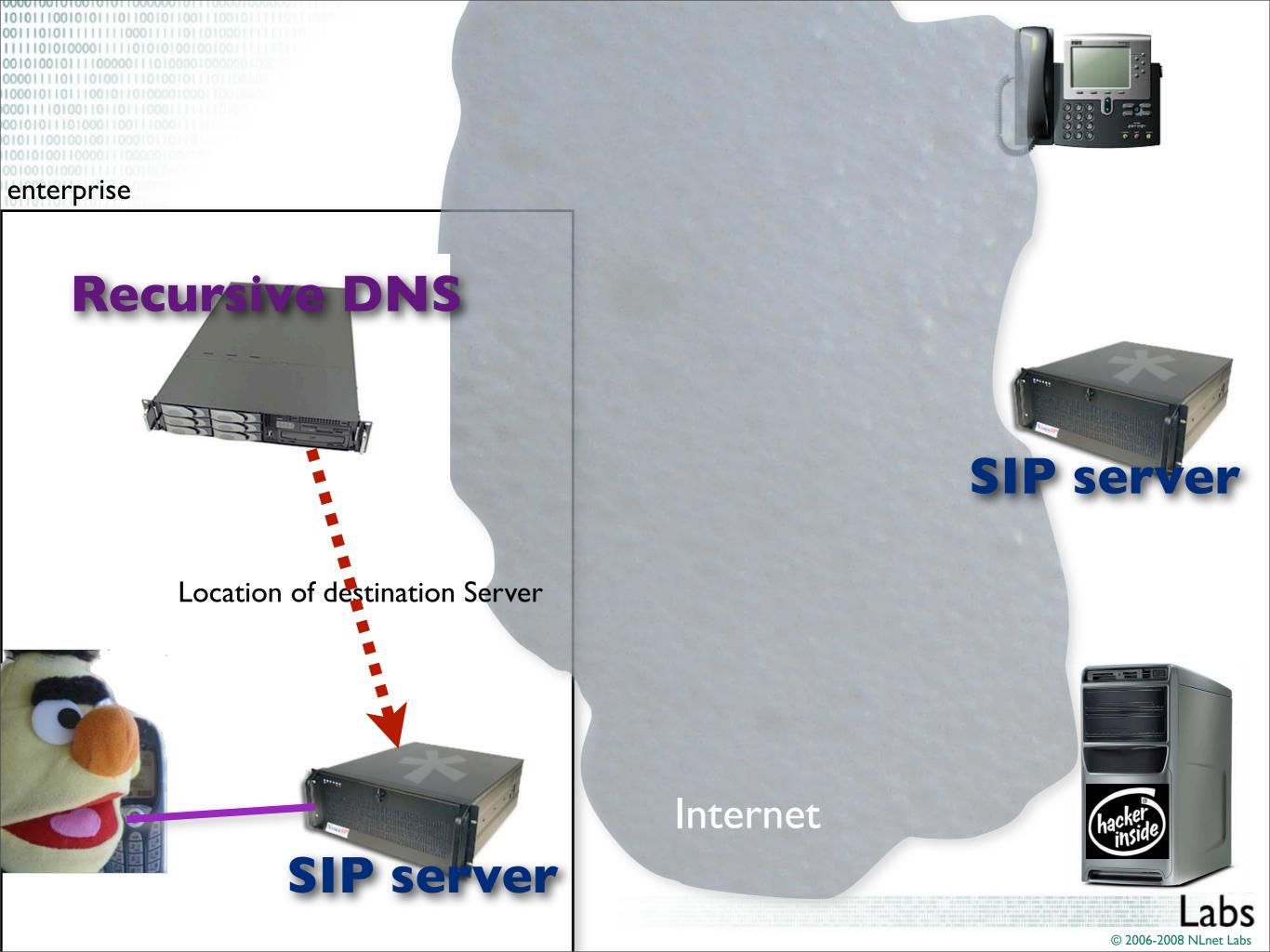


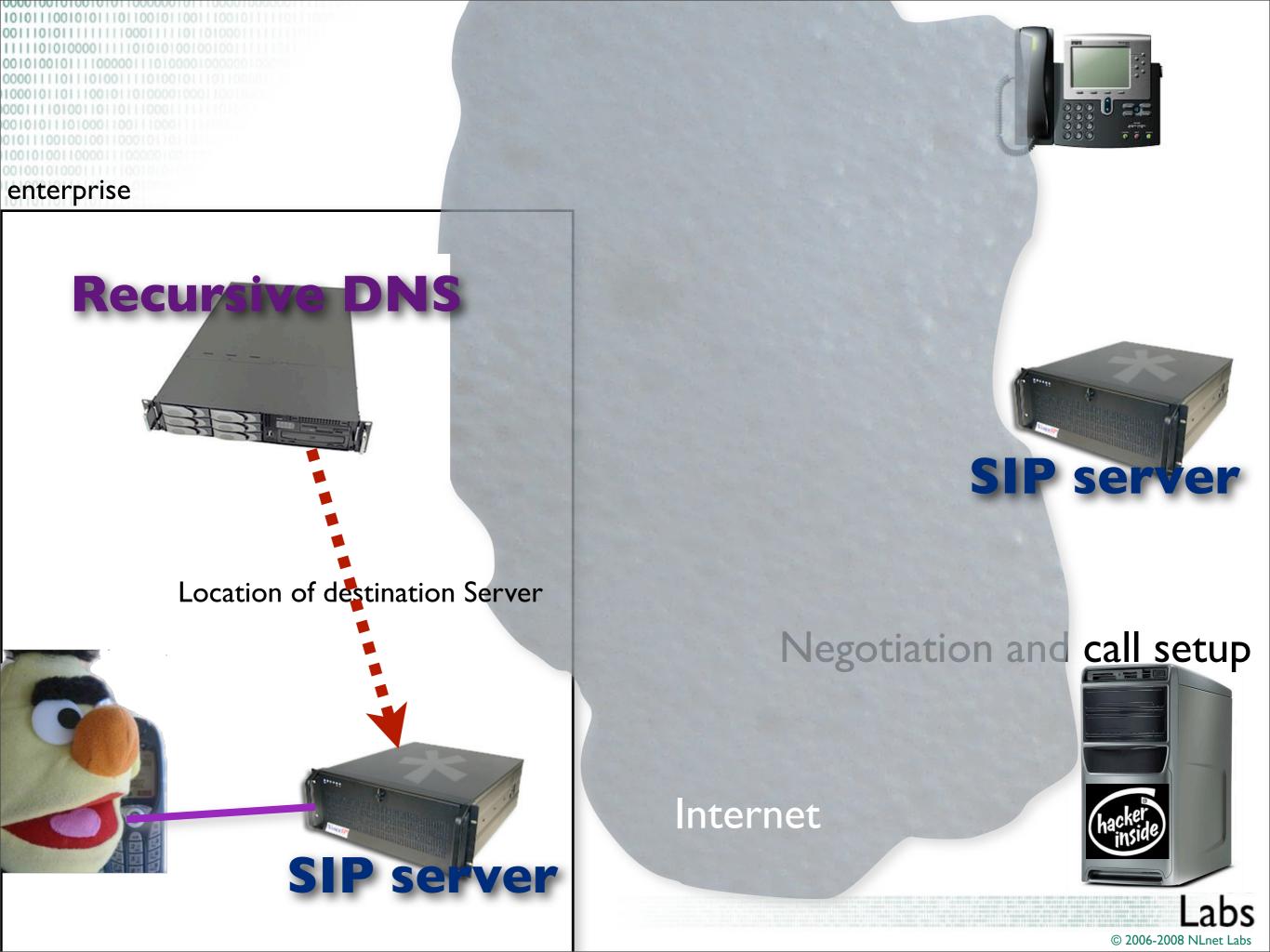


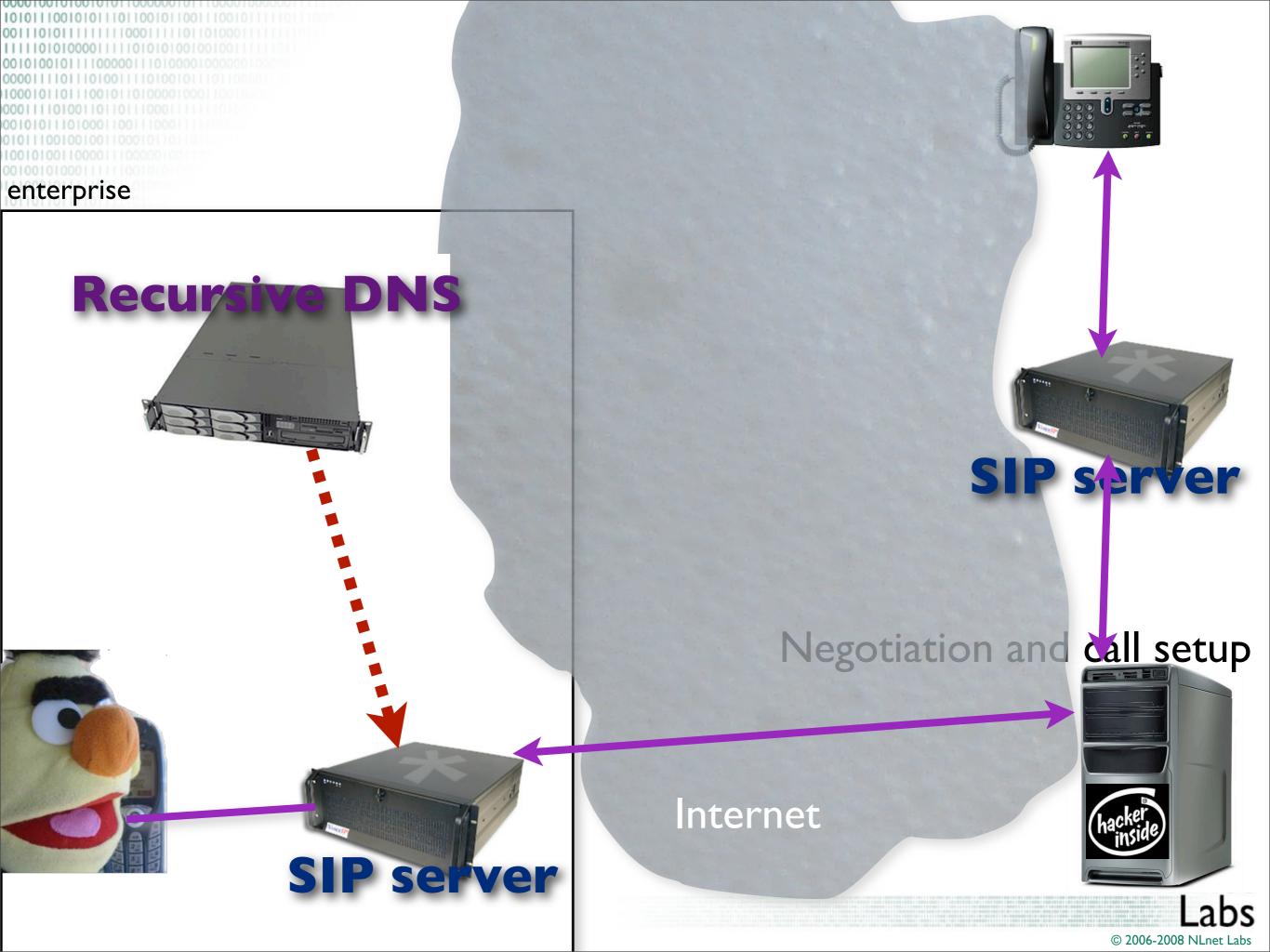














Cache Poisoning

- The attack you just saw is called cache poisoning
- Inserting false data into the cache of recursive name servers
- This form of attack has been known for years
- One of the reasons to work on DNSSEC



Kaminsky's variant

- Classic cache poisoning gave you 'a few tries' to get in between the outgoing question and incomming answer
- Kaminsky came with a scheme where the culprit can keep trying
 - Surprisingly simple, a wonder nobody thought of the variety before



problem?



There is Recognition



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Vulnerability Note VU#800113

Multiple DNS implementations vulnerable to cache poisoning

Overview

Deficiencies in the DNS protocol and common DNS implementations facilitate DNS cache poisoning attacks.

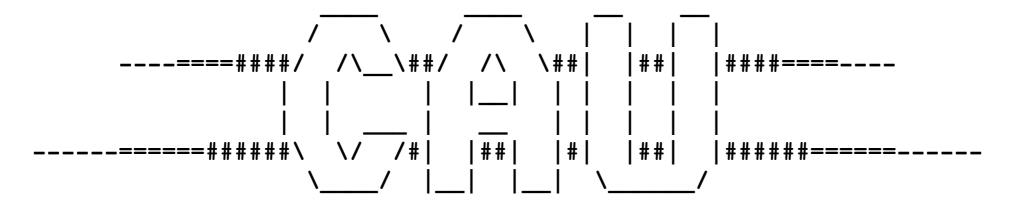
I. Description

The Domain Name System (DNS) is responsible for translating host names to IP addresses (and vice versa) and is critical for the normal operation of internet-con-

http://www.kb.cert.org/vuls/id/800113



There is Exploit Code



Computer Academic Underground http://www.caughq.org
Exploit Code

Exploit ID: CAU-EX-2008-0002

Release Date: 2008.07.23

Title: bailiwicked host.rb

Description: Kaminsky DNS Cache Poisoning Flaw Exploit

Tested: BIND 9.4.1-9.4.2

Attributes: Remote, Poison, Resolver, Metasploit

Exploit URL: http://www.caughq.org/exploits/CAU-EX-2008-0002.txt

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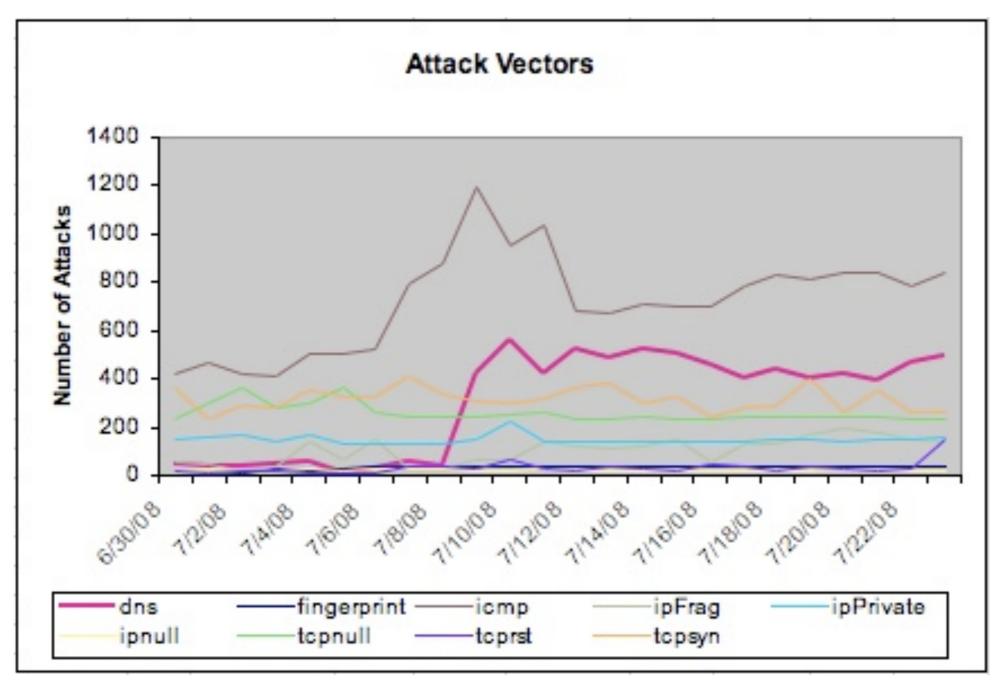
And more exploit code

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http://tservice.net.ru/~s0mbre/archive/dns/



The networks are scanned



http://asert.arbornetworks.com/2008/07/30-day-of-dns-attack-activity/



There have been succesful attacks



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DNS Cache Poisoning Issue Update

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by David Goldsmith (Version: 1)

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Ok, we have a confirmed instance where the DNS cache poisoning vulnerability was used to compromise a DNS server belonging to AT&T. This PCWorld article covers the incident. The original article makes it sound as though the Metasploit site was 'owned' by this incident when really the issue was that the AT&T DNS server was compromised and was providing erroneous IP addresses to incoming queries. This updated PCWorld article clarifies the first one.

Additional details can be found in this Metasploit blog post.

So we've moved from "the bad guys are out there" past "the invaders are at the gate" and on to "the bad guys are slipping inside". If your organization has not yet patched your DNS servers (see here), please do so now.

We may be raising our InfoSec status to yellow soon to help raise attention to the serious nature of this issue.

http://isc.sans.org/diary.html?storyid=4801



Bits	50%	5%	Aka
16	10 s	l s	Unpatched server, random ID
26	2.8 h	17 m	Patched, using only 1024 ports
34	28 days	2.8 days	unbound with defaults
44	28444 days	2844.4 days	unbound with 0x20 and source addresses configured





50%-5%-0.5%-0.05%

- There are literally millions of resolvers out there
- The calculations are based on certain assumptions
 - Scanning of Port ID and Query ID are independent: multiplication of chances?
- All steps in an arms run, do we count on the next quick fix or the solution that has been designed to cope with this?



Yes, Problem











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SSL?

- Current practices are sloppy
- Users connect to their banks
- Get redirected to unrelated domains
- User interfaces only show padlocks





For example

Mastercard



Press "Go to Your Bank" to authorise your credit card payment at your bank.

Amount 415.00 Euro

Payment cluster ID 167102578

Please deactivate your pop-up killer in your web browser, before proceeding with your payment.

more info

To Your Bank

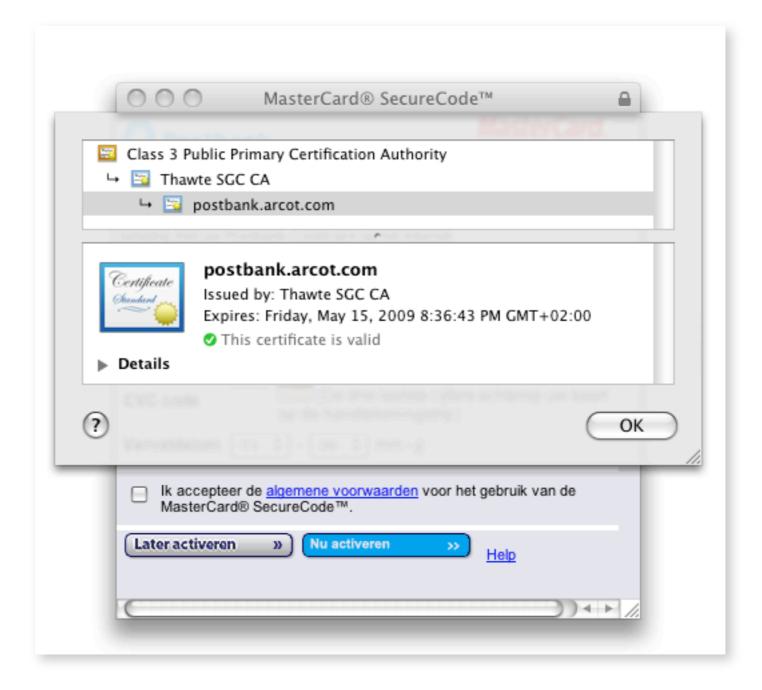


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Exploit

- Attacker poisons DNS for <u>www.postbank.nl</u>
- Fake <u>www.postbank.nl</u> redirects to postbank.webbanksecurity.com
 - Obtaining the domain name and certificate is trivial for organized criminals
- Users are used to these sort of redirections and the domainname looks trustworthy



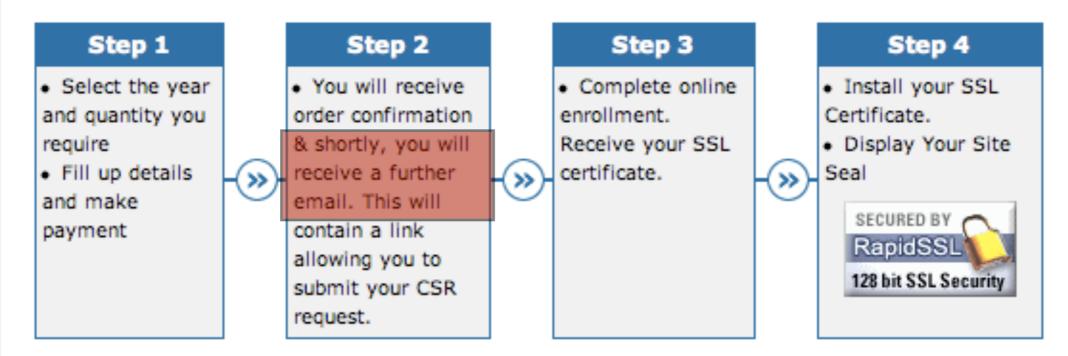
Things get worse

- Fake www.postbank.nl redirects to fake https://www.postbank.nl
- SSL protects agains that?
- Not if the attacker has a signed certificate
 - How would an attacker do that?



How SSL purchase works?

Ordering SSL from rapidsslonline.com online store is easy, fast and secure! You need to go through 4 simple steps to complete your SSL order



*** As part of GeoTrust's ongoing commitment to prevent fraud, some orders are randomly flagged for an additional security review. Please note that this order will not be fulfilled until GeoTrust completes this manual security review. Usually such orders are processed within 24 hours but sometimes may take longer than 24 hours. Please contact us via Email or Live Chat for Support in such cases.

http://www.rapidsslonline.com/index.php



Don't rely on DNS for the Security review

- Don't get the contact details out of the WHOIS, getting to WHOIS is DNS based
- Don't send confirmation e-mails to typical addresses in the domain
 - Mail uses the DNS
- Don't try to see if domain already has a SSL certificate installed. That uses the DNS



Lower hanging fruit: email

- Just attack e-mail
- Eavesdropping on e-mail
- Modifying text
- Inserting malicious content















Technique to notice these attacks

- SPF protocol for spam recognition
 - Based on... DNS
- SSL based connections and certification
 - In practice only used for encryption of the channel
 - Often misconfigured, or with fallback in place
 - And remember the possibilities wrt SSL



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DNSSEC What does it protect?

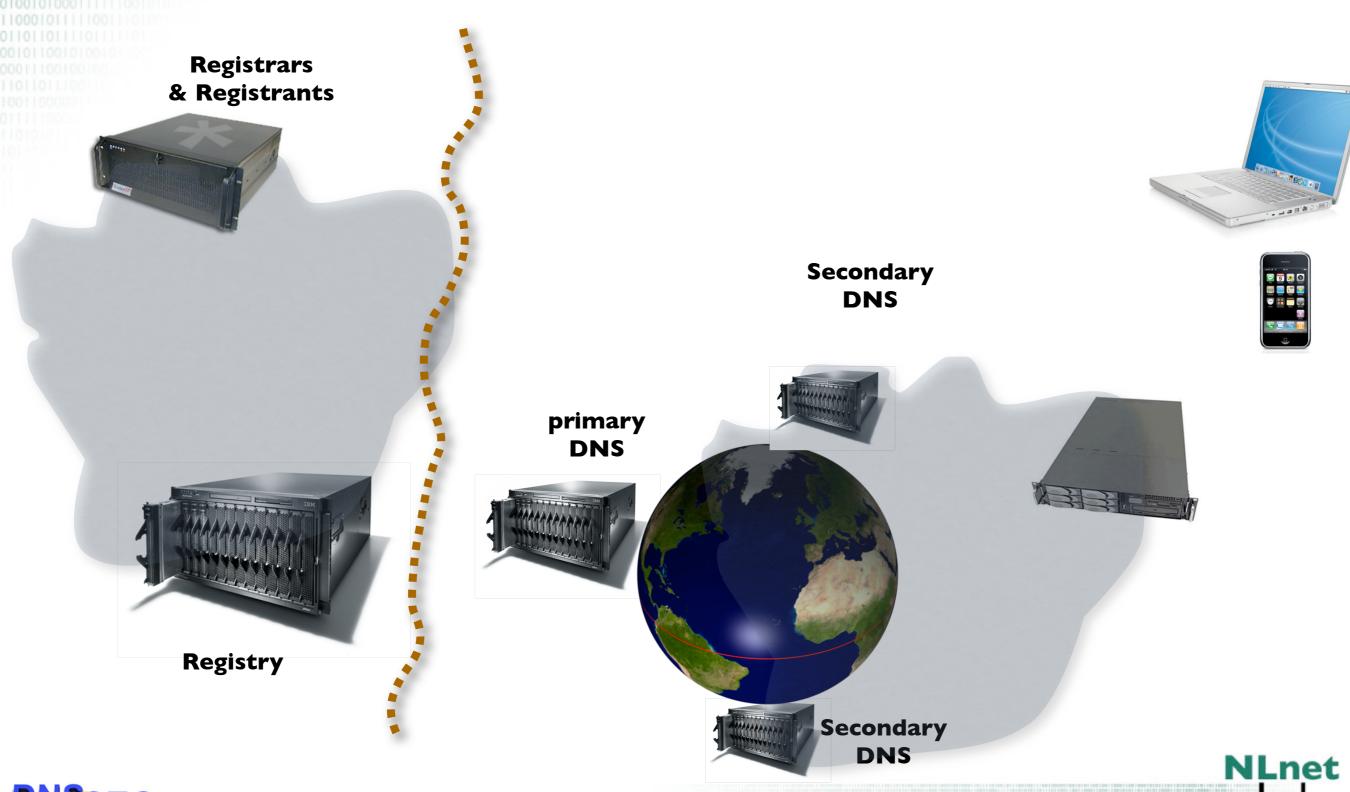


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Let us have another look at the DNS architecture

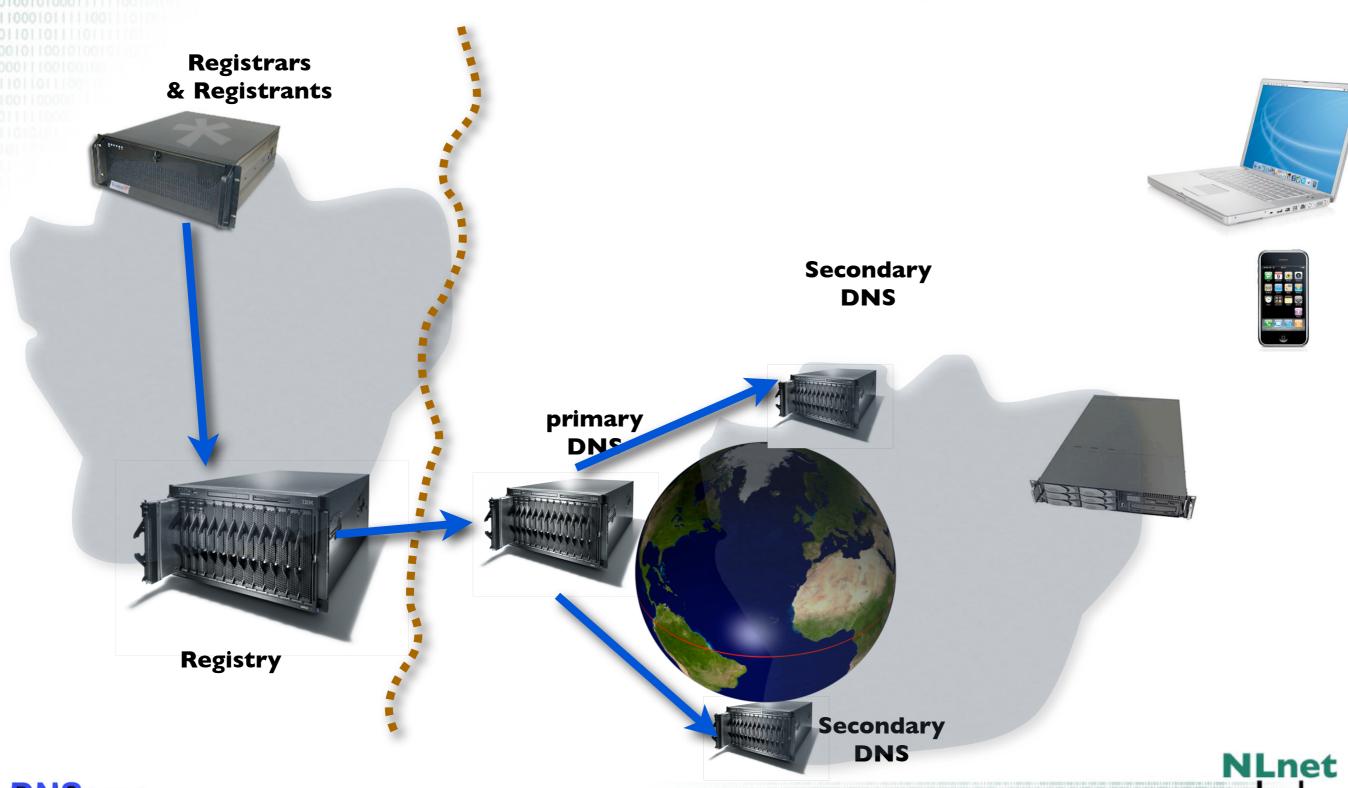






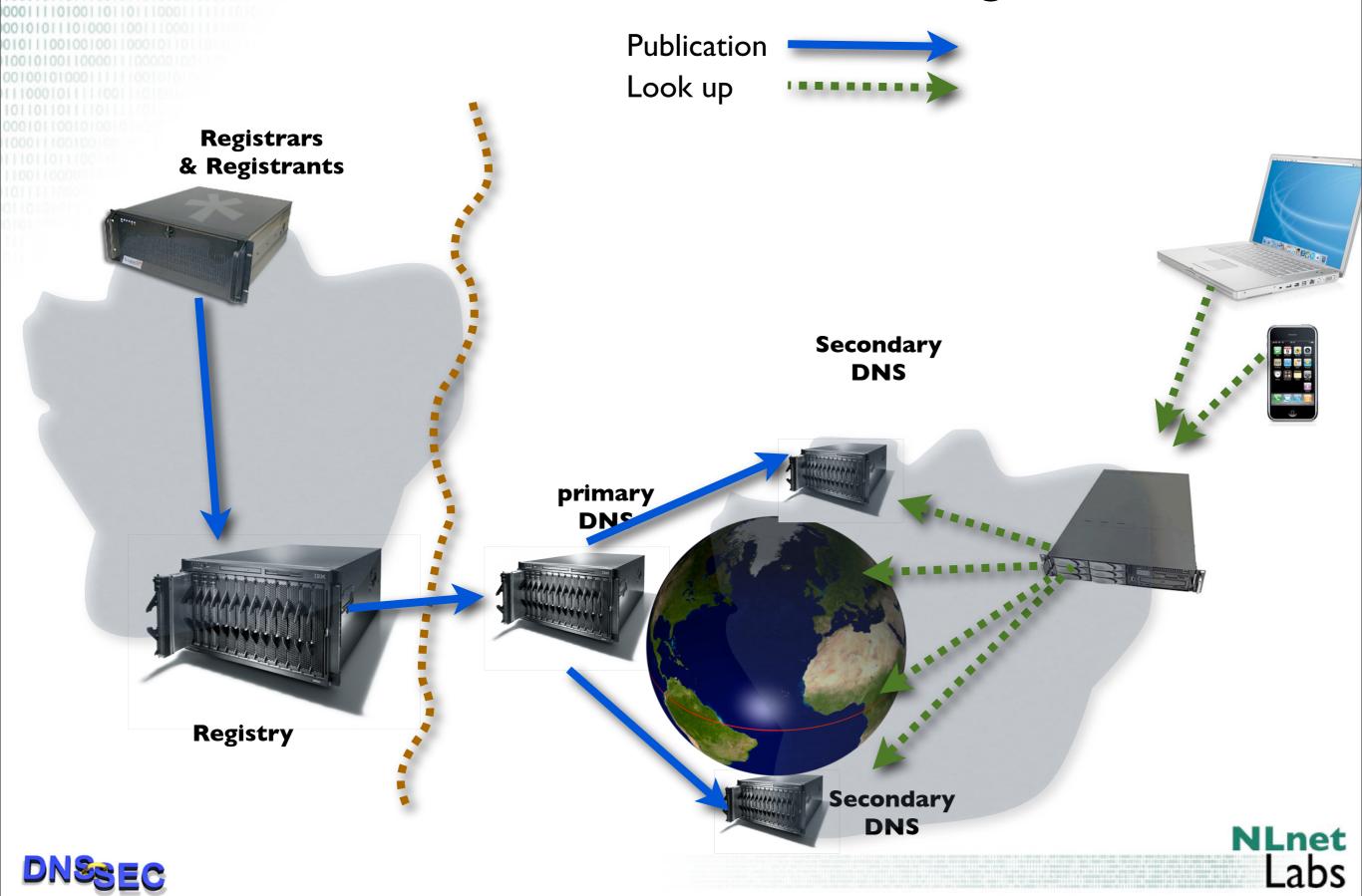


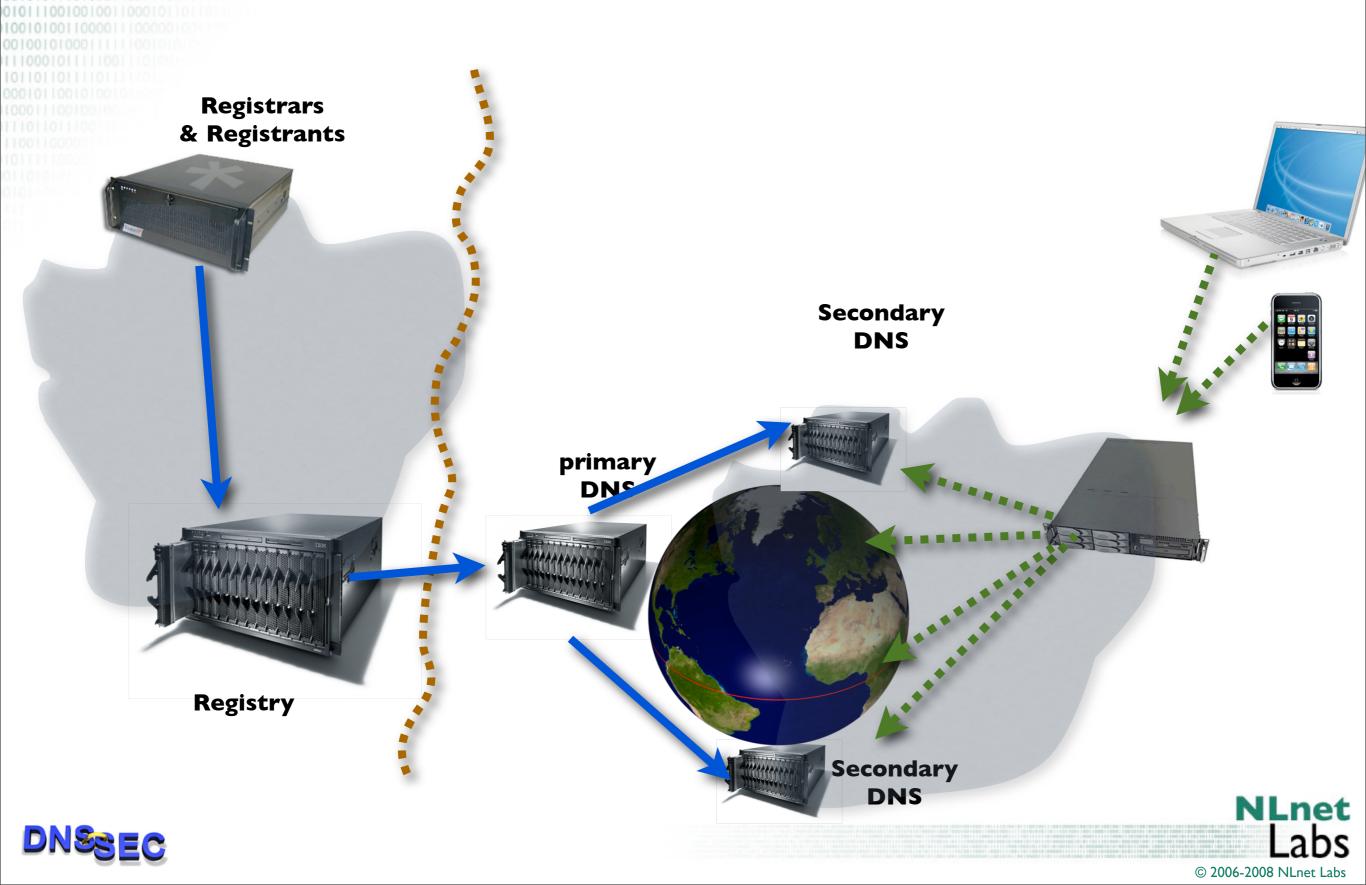
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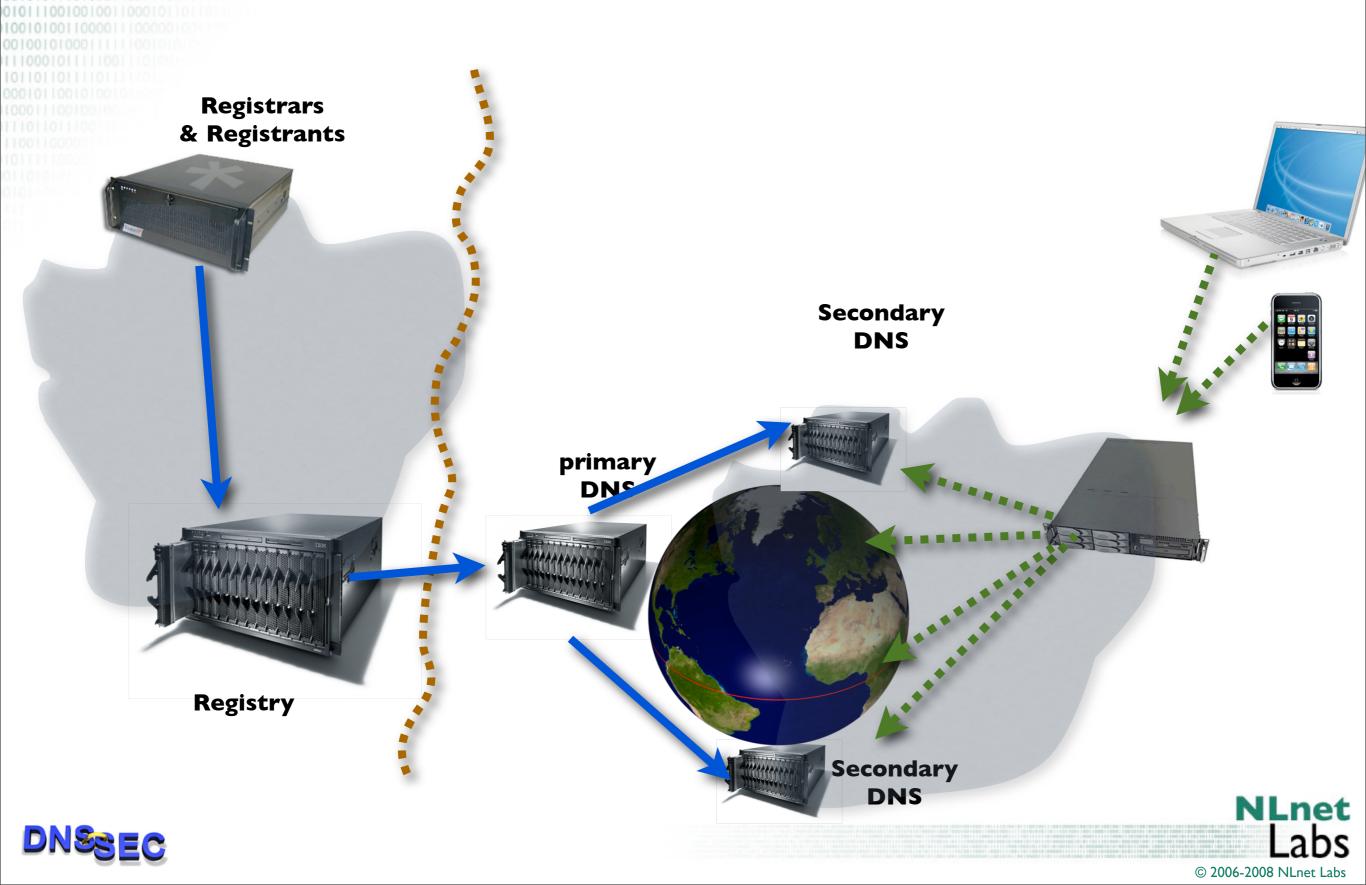


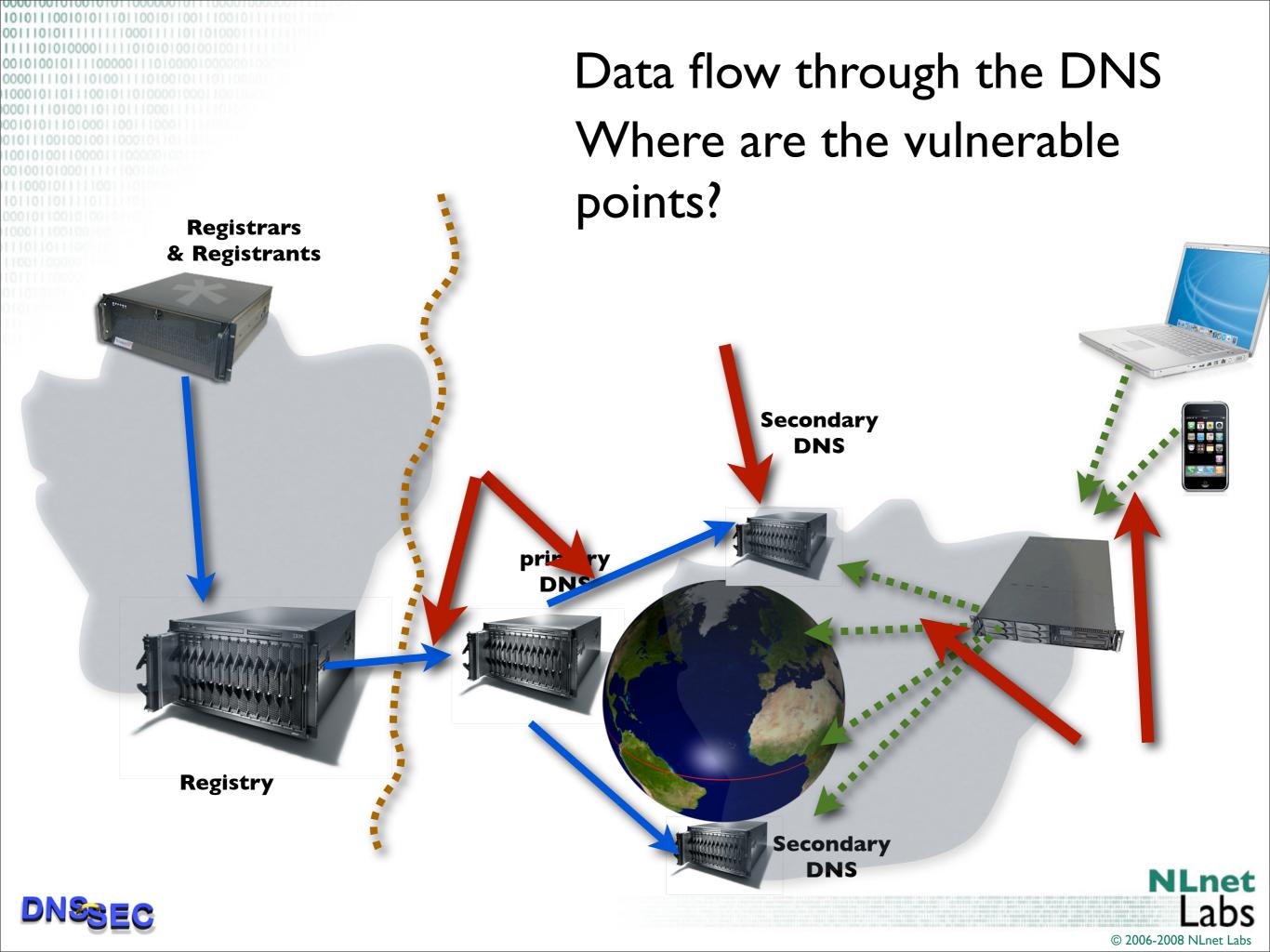


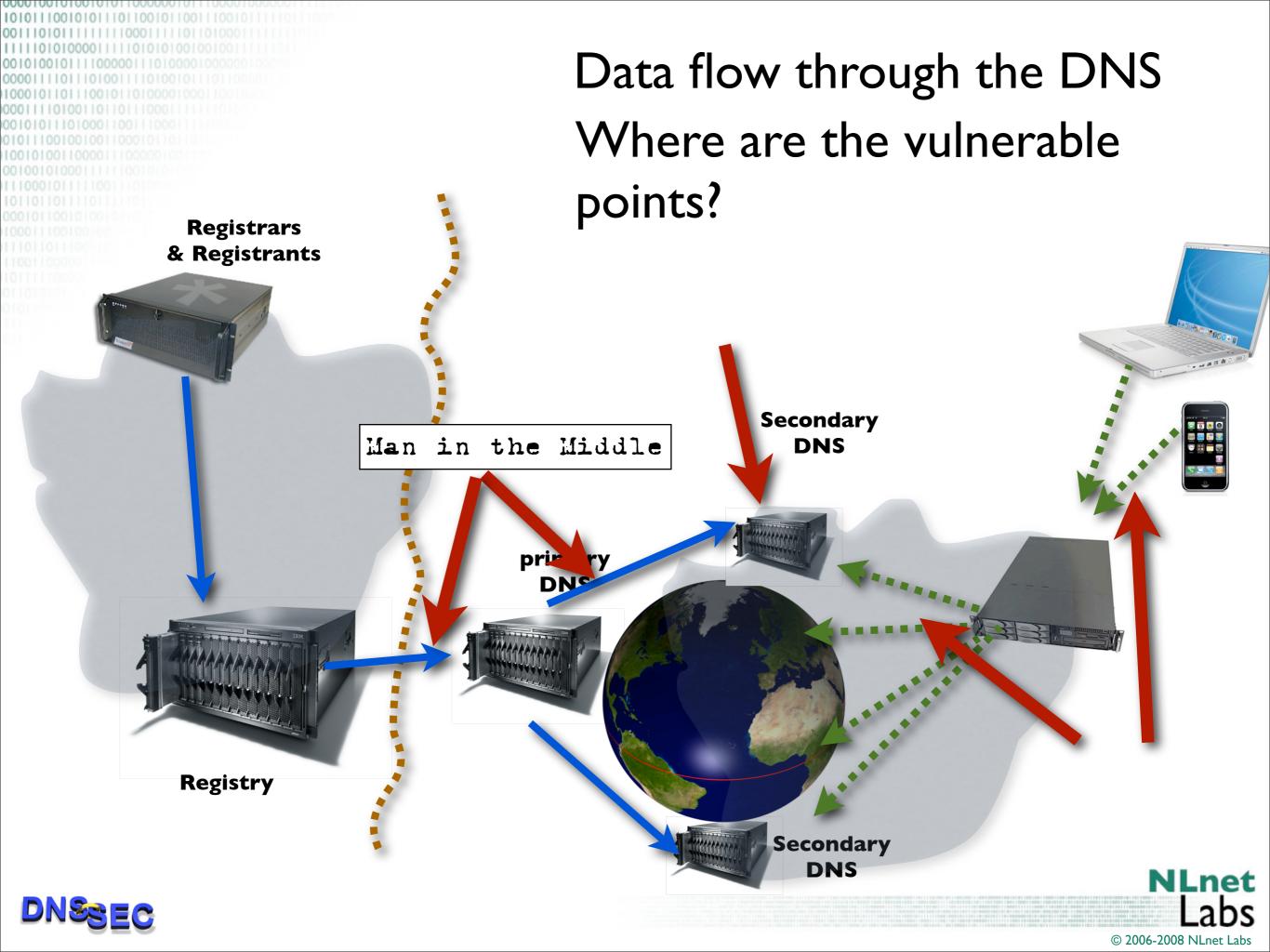
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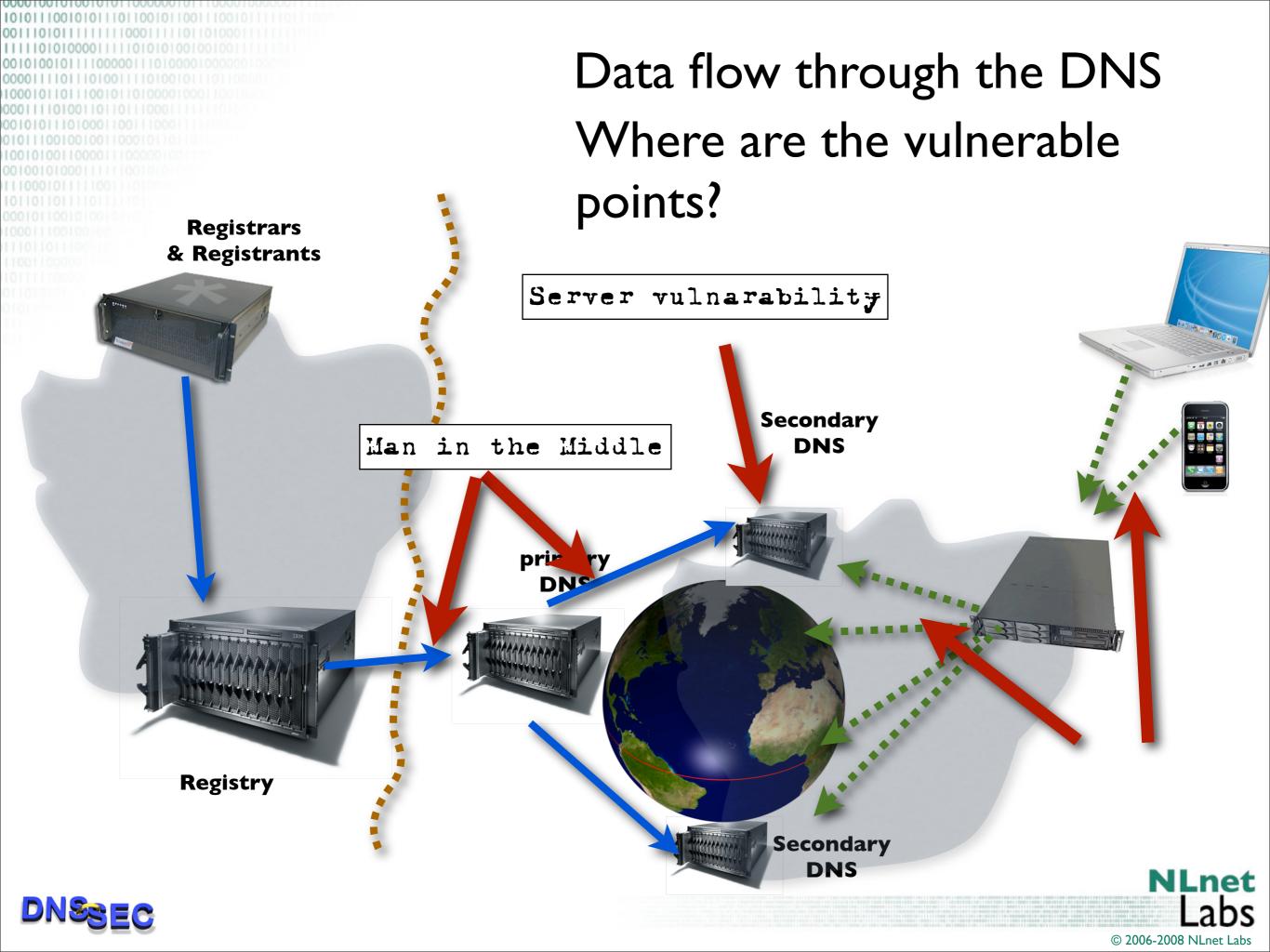


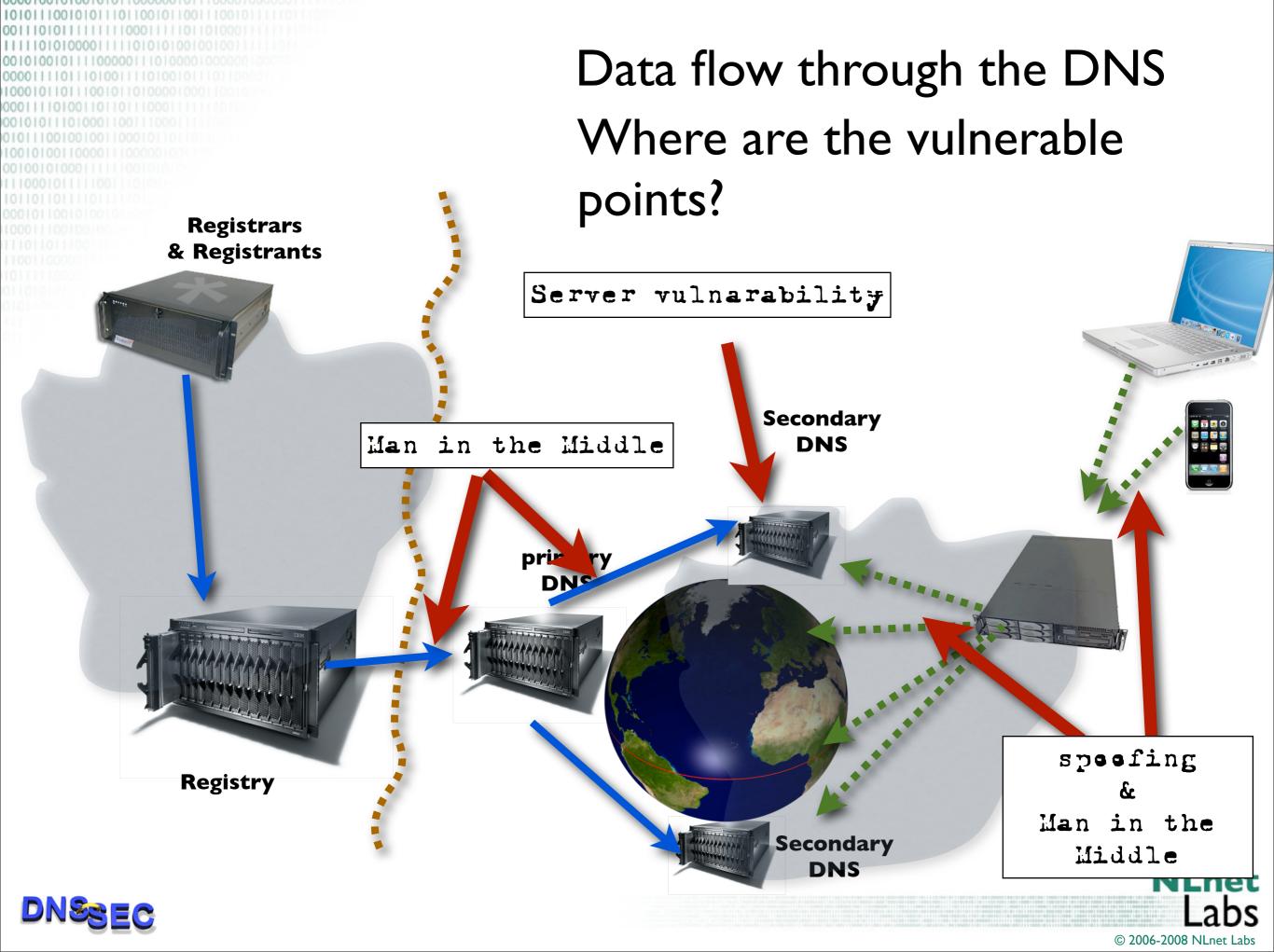












DNSSEC protects all these end-to-end

- As an aside:
 - There is a protection mechanism against the man in the middle: TSIG
 - Provides hob-by-hop security
 - TSIG is operationally deployed today
 - Based on shared secret: not scalable



What does DNSSEC provide

- provides message authentication and integrity verification through cryptographic signatures
 - You know who provided the signature
 - No modifications between signing and validation
- It does not provide authorization
- It does not provide confidentiality
- It does not provide protection against DDOS



















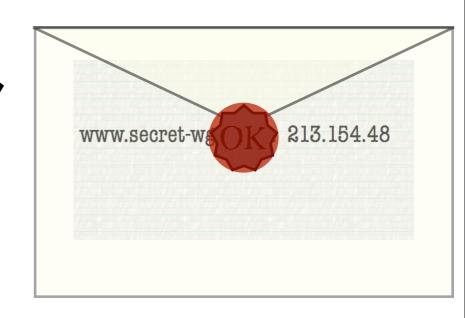






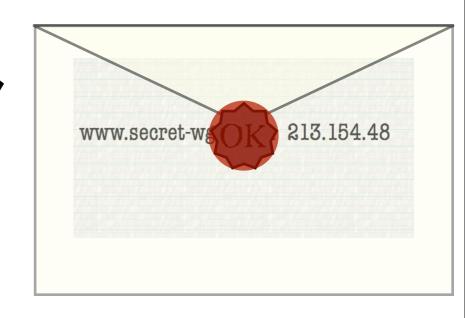


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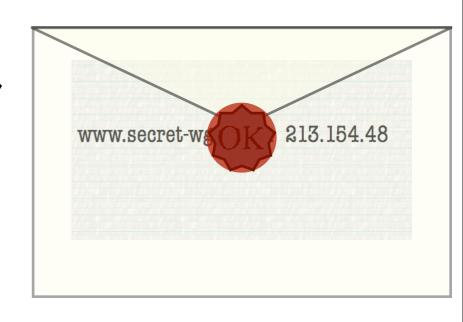


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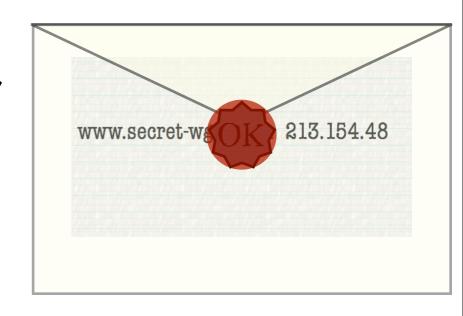


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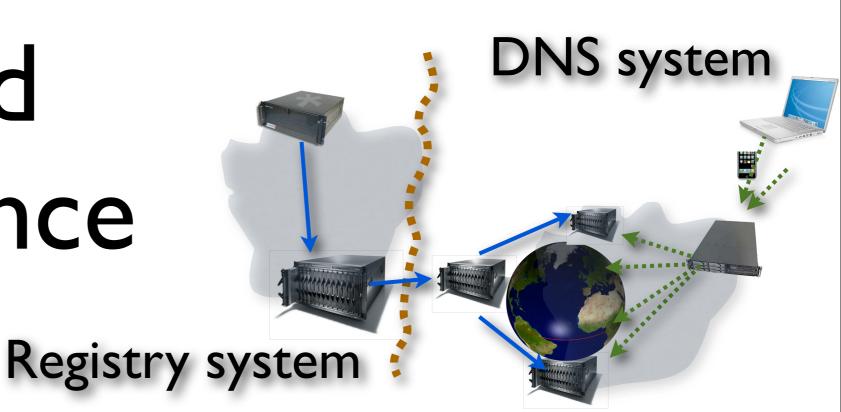
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Trust and Confidence



- DNSSEC enables confidence in the DNS
- It does not change the trust we put in the Registry/Registrar procedures
 - Although introduction of DNSSEC may improve some of the procedures



The mechanism used

- Using public key cryptographic algorithms signatures are applied over the DNS data
- By comparing the signatures with public keys the integrity and authenticity of the data can be established.





Public key cryptography in a nutshell

- Two large numbers and an encryption and decryption algorithm
- If one of the numbers (the private key) and a message are used for encryption
- The other number (public key) and the decryption algorithm can be used to retrieve the original message







Message

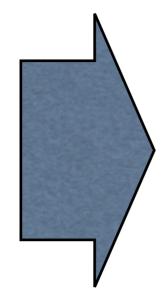


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Private Key



Message

Private Key



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Public Key

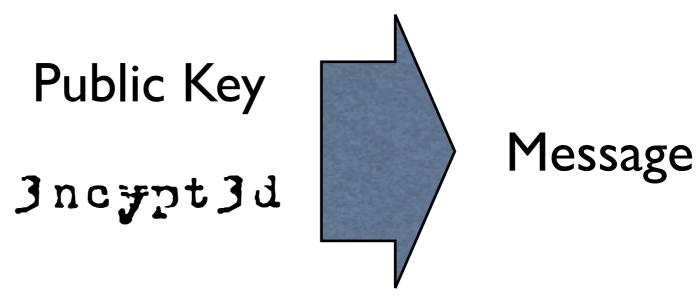
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Decription only with matching key: If you can decrypt with a public key you may assert the message was signed with corresponding private key









Message



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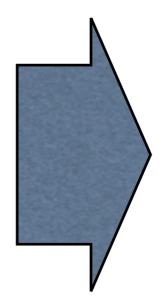
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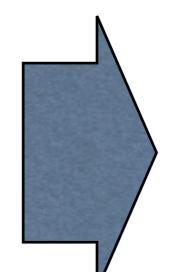


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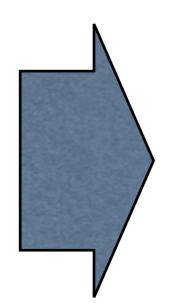
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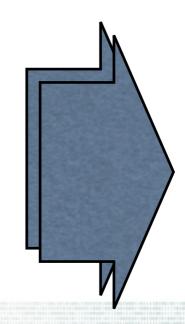
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Message Digest

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Decrypted Message Digest



Validate Public Keys

- Make sure you get them from the appropriate entity
- If you validate against the wrong public key there is a problem again
- For DNSSEC: key distribibution through the DNS
 - Ideally only one key needed: that of the root of the DNS hierarchy (more on that later)



Steps towards Secure DNS



Various Players

- Suppose we want confident mapping for www.bank.in
- What needst to be done



From the resolvers view

- The resolver will need to verify the signature over www.bank.in is valid
- Two tasks:
 - implement a verifying recursive nameserver
 - configure the appropriate public key
 - maintain the configured public keys





DNSSEC on a Recursive Nameserver

- Install the appropriate piece of software
- Latest BIND or Unbound
 - Both run on commodity hardware
 - Both are open-source freely available
- Perform the appropriate amount of testing to understand the failure modes



Configuring Public Keys

- Public keys are configured in the files (manual)
- Make sure public keys are rolled
- Make sure you know the policies of the signing entities
- Not rolling turns into severe failure mode
- Use tools
 (RFC 5011 implementation will be available from NLnet Labs shortly)



The costs involved

- Commodity hardware
 - No need to upgrade Routers and IP equipment
 - Though Firewalls may cause issues
- Free software
- The rest is a knowledge exercise



Public Keys

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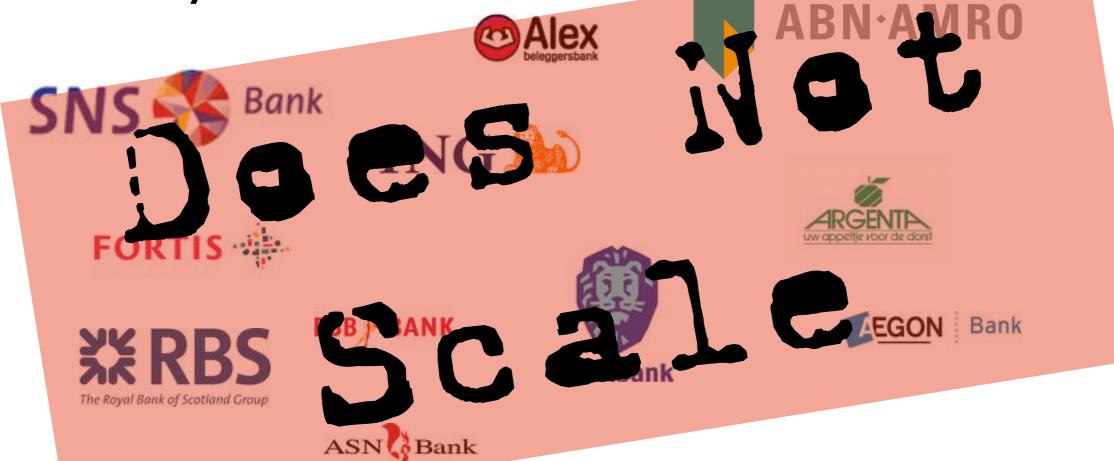






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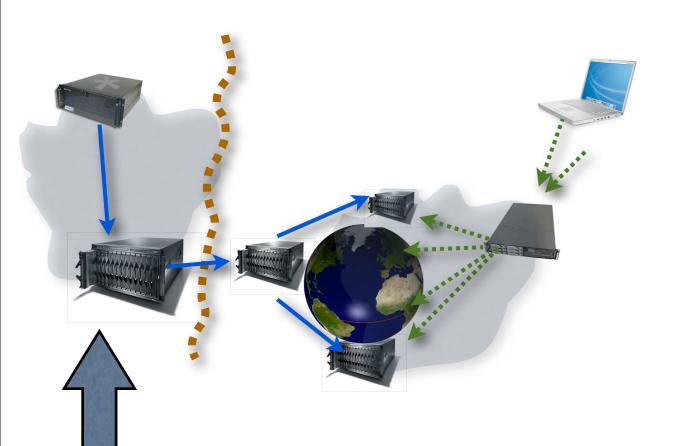




Use the DNS for public key distribution

- Publish the public key of bank.in in .in
- Have .IN signed
- Reduces the key-maintenance issues greatly!
- Signing .IN facilitates DNSSEC for all parties involved





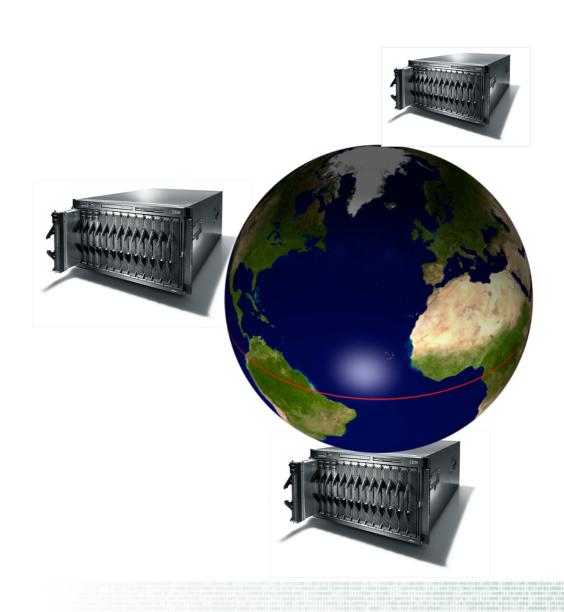
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- A few more components are involved
- Let us zoom in on the several components
 - The generic case
 - For a zone with delegations (like .IN)





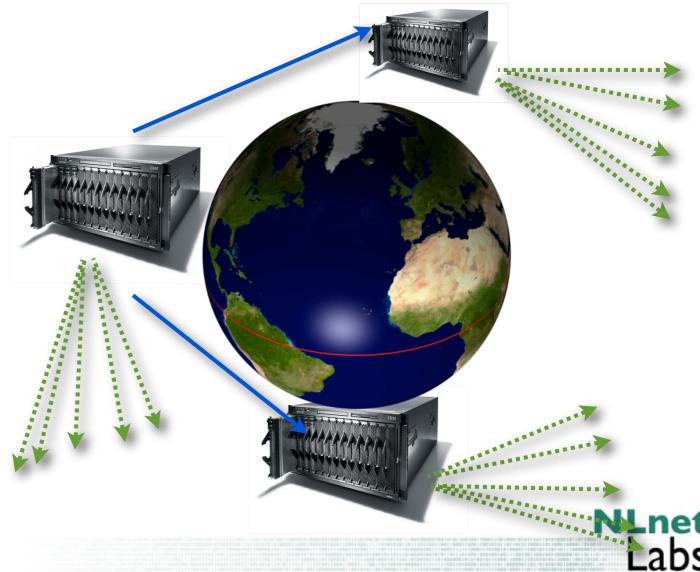




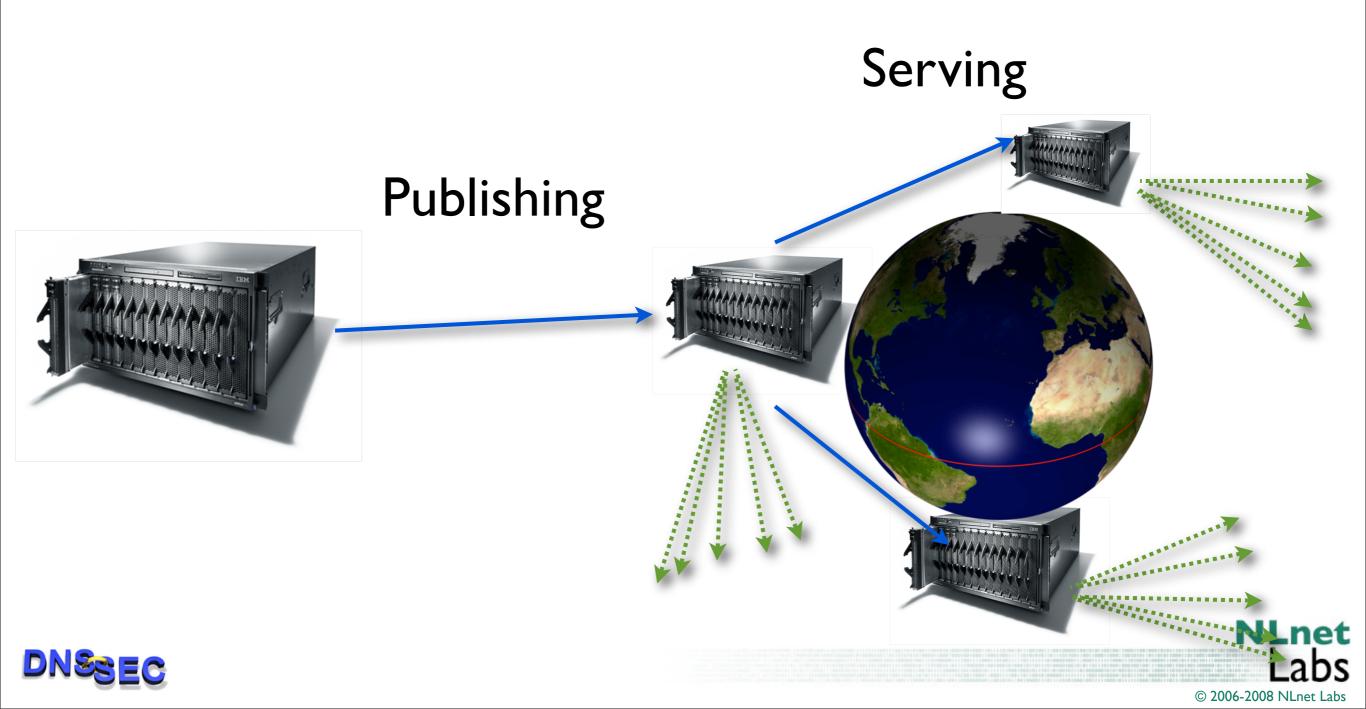


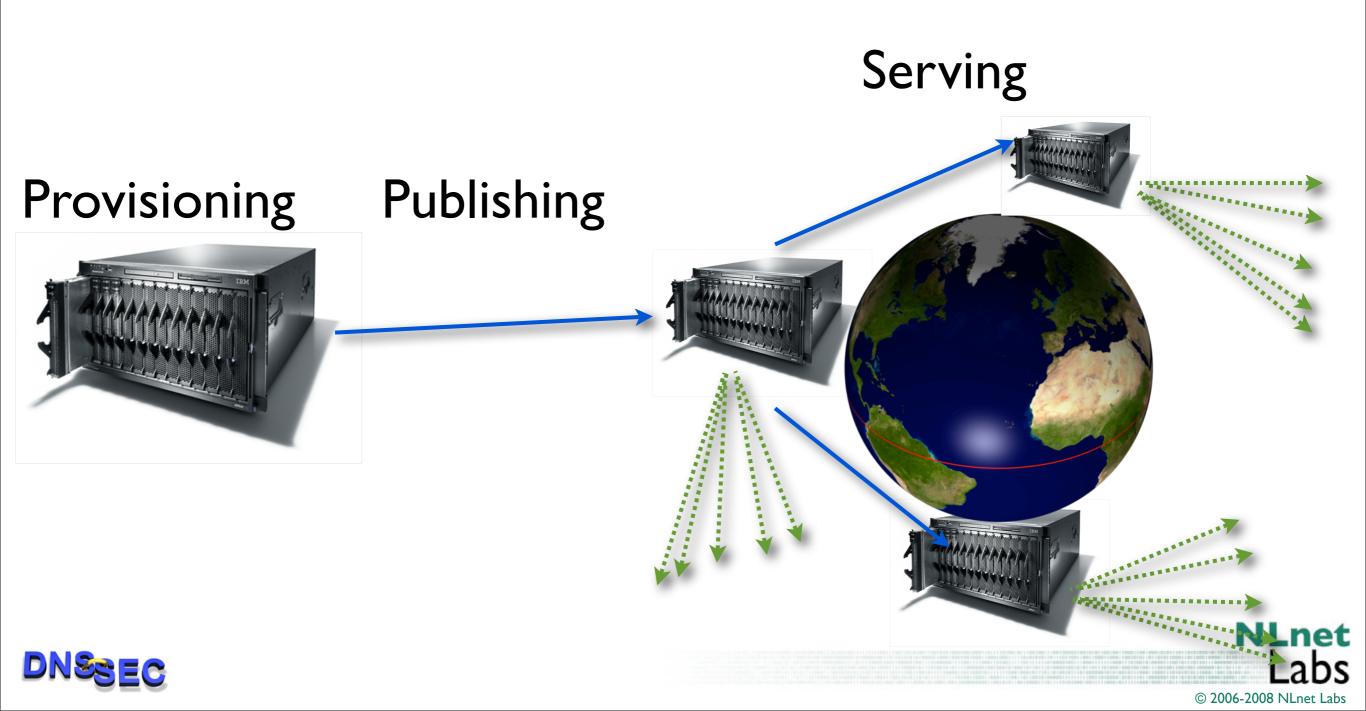


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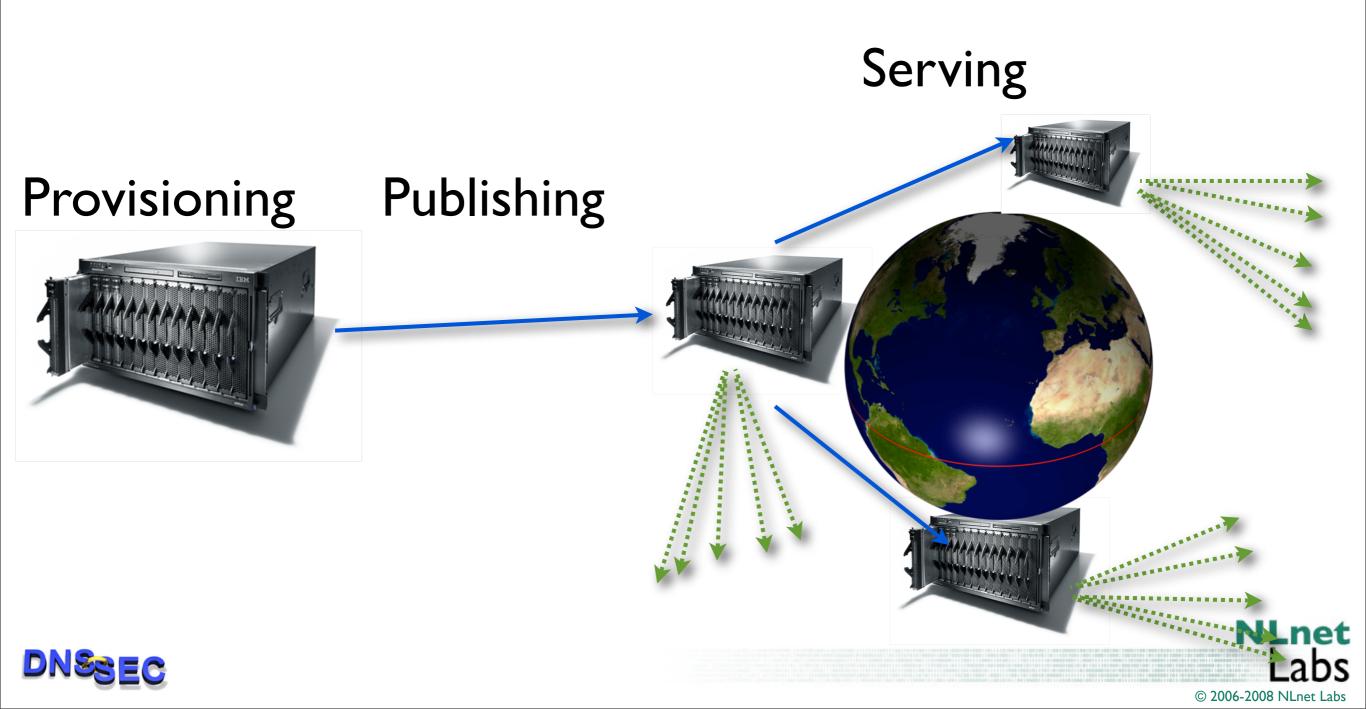




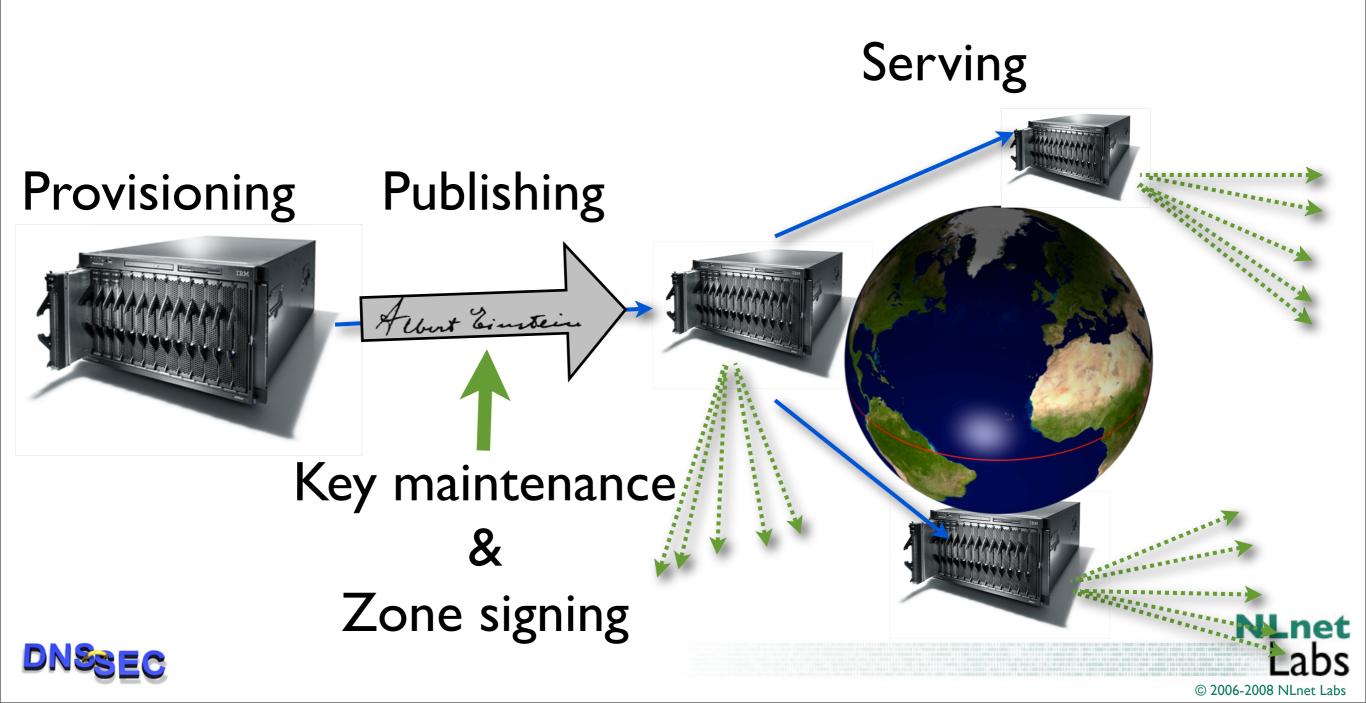




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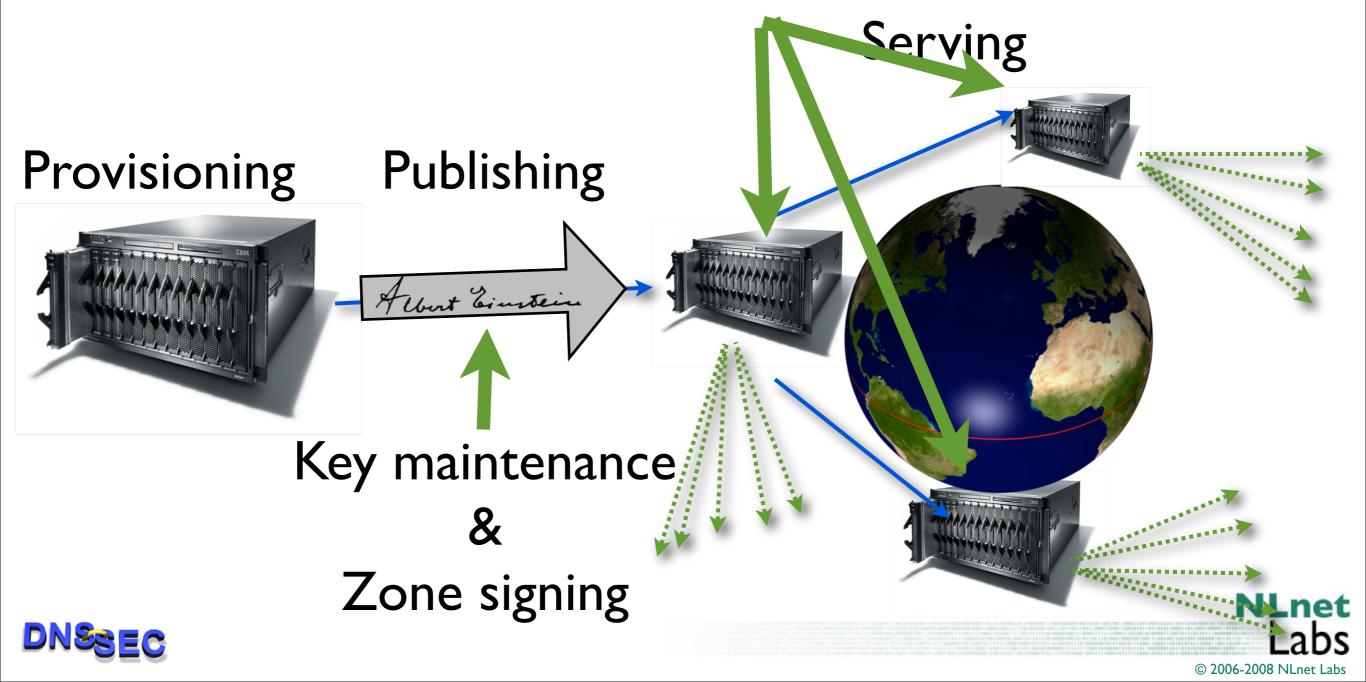


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DNSSEC aware name server Software



DNSSEC Aware Nameservers

- Software Exercise
- BIND and Unbound free and open source
- Some hardware requirements:
 - memory requirements increase
 - RIPE 352 or measure



Key maintenance Private Keys

- Determine a policy and implement it
- Think about risks and operations

Risk	On or offline	System consideration
high	on	HSM (FIPS Level 4)
high	off	Reviewed procedures, Physical Safe
medium	on	HSM (FIPS level 2) or shielded system
medium	off	Reviewed Procedures
low	on	Connected or Local system
low	off	System



Key maintenance Public Keys

- Your users may configure your public key as a trust anchor
 - Consider how your users will fetch the key: Out of band validation
 - Document your procedures
- Upload to your parent



Key Maintenance Rollovers

- Document rollover procedures
 - Take into account the timing sequences
 - Understand, train, and automate



Signing

- Use the BIND/Unbound tools
- Depending on your requirements build or buy machinery that allows secure key storage
- Open source tools and proprietary solutions



Note about costs

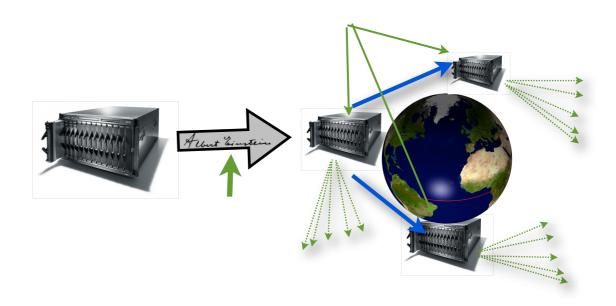
- Again: Knowledge Exercise
 - Understanding the issues about publication, maintainenance and rolling of the keys
- Draw up requirements
 - Implement or buy solutions
- On the server side: Simple upgrade of software



DNSSEC aware name server Software



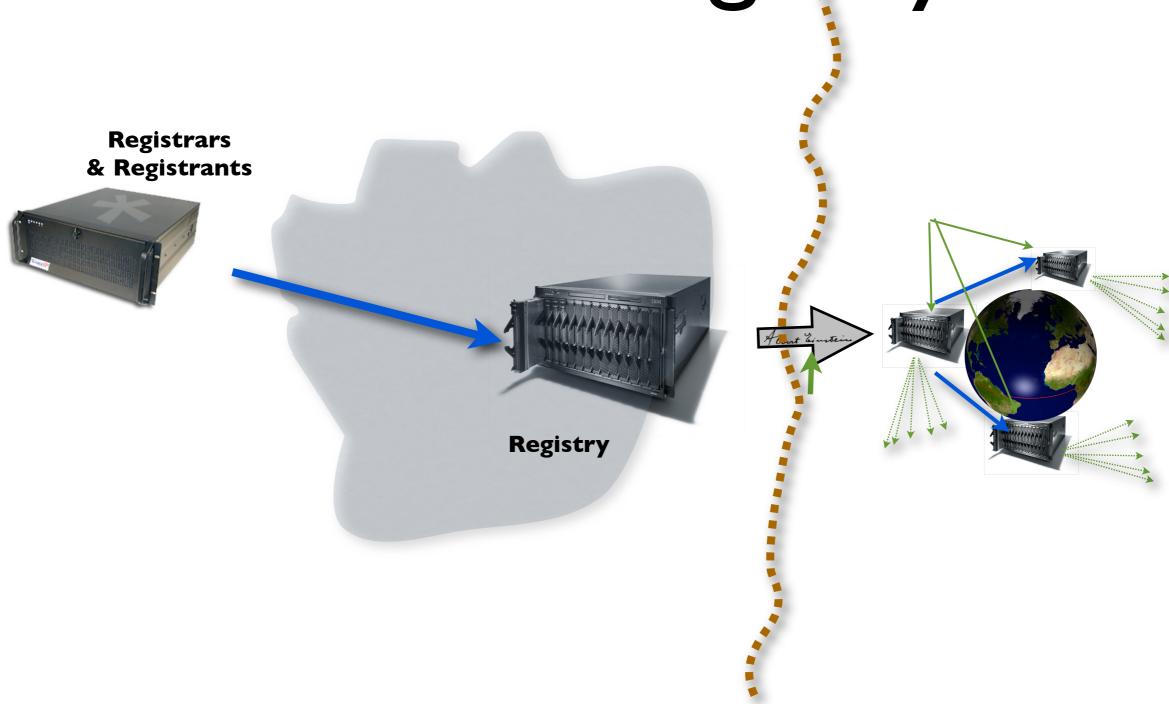




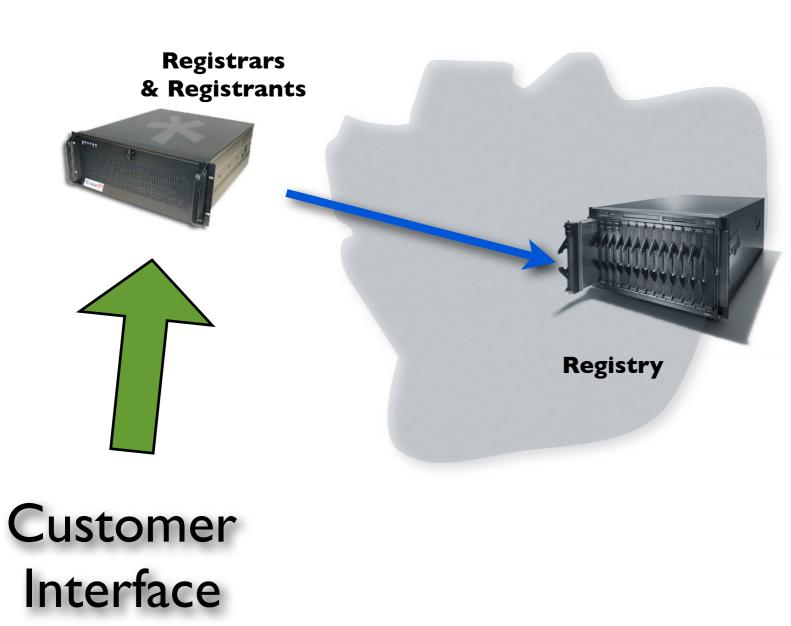


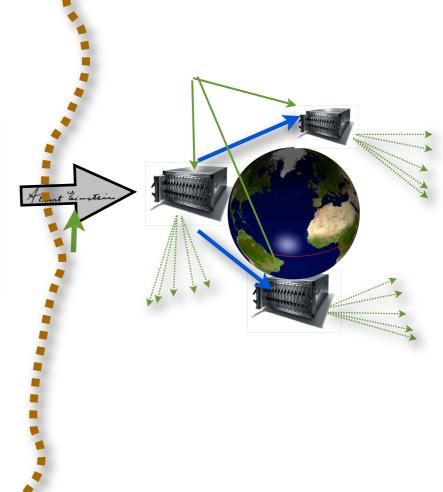




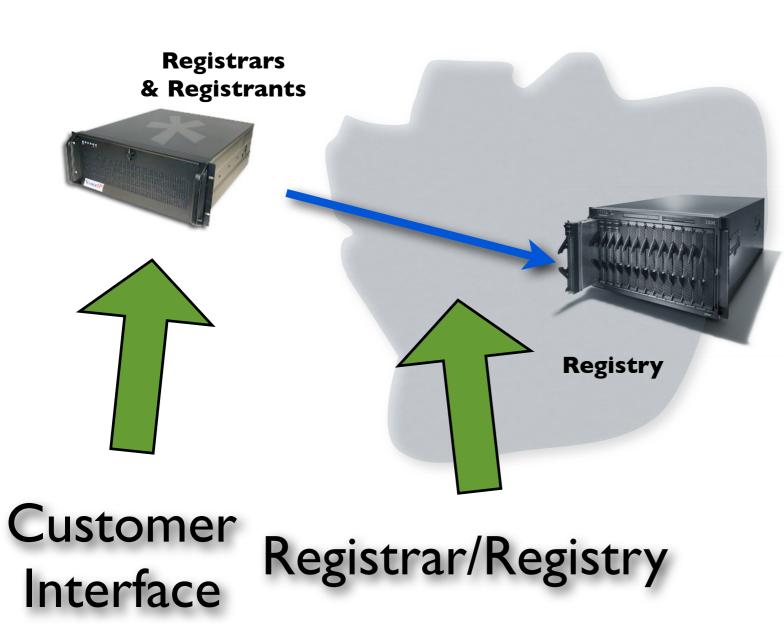


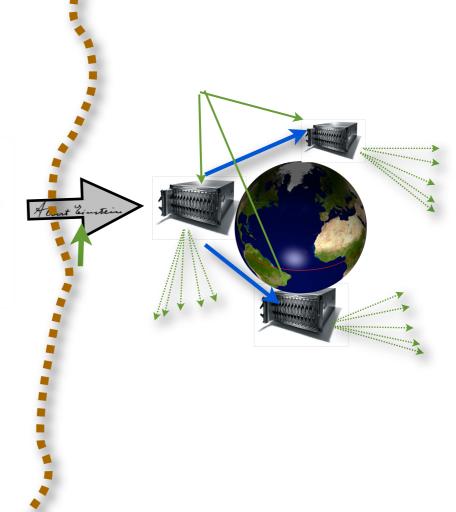




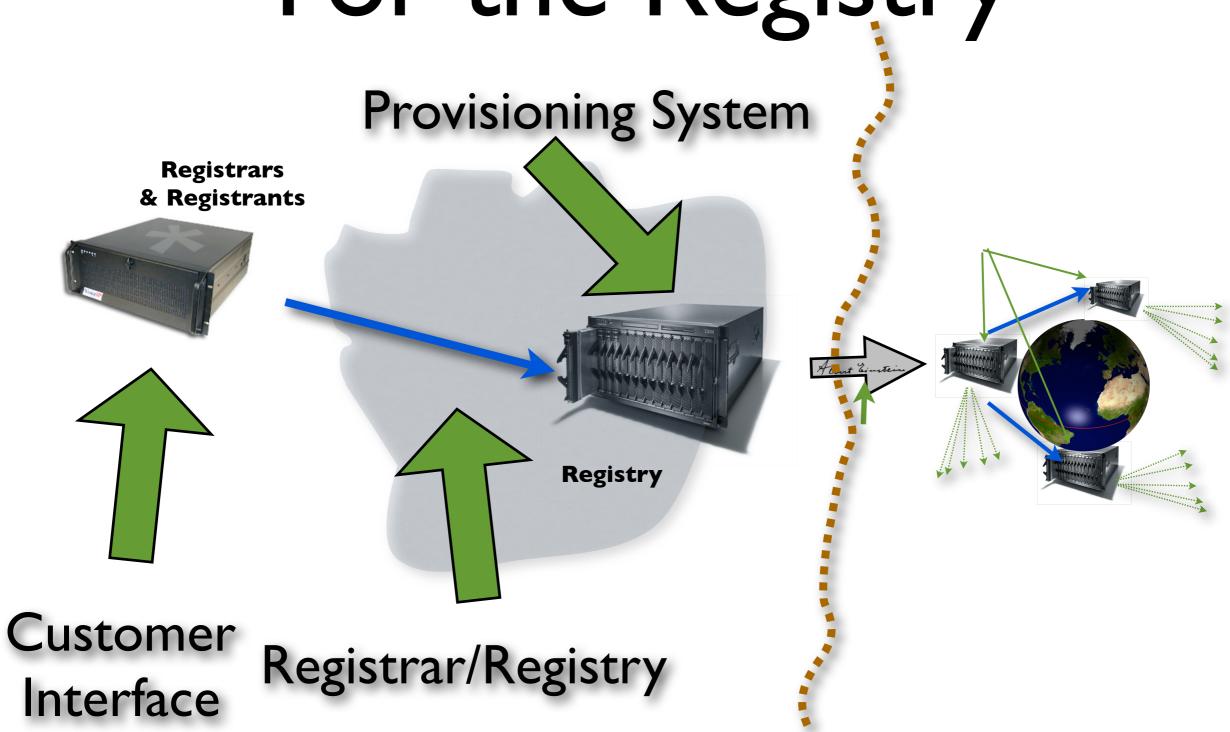














Questions to address Registrar

- Customer interaction
 - How much checking of your customer setup (value add)
 - How do you validate the public key
 - Is this any different than how you validate a change in the NS?



Questions to addres Registry

- What will you store DNSKEY or DS
 - Consider DS hash algorithm agility: Will you ask all your customers to provide new keys?
- How will you get the DNSKEYs from your Registrars?
 - How is that different from how you get the NS records?



Questions to address Registry II

- What are your operational constraints?
- Will you allow direct Registrant interaction
 - e.g. when a registrants key went broken at 2 am



Follow the NS

 From a registration perspective the NS and the DS data have very similar properties





State of DNSSEC Deployment





The Numbers

(A sad state of affairs)

- http://secspider.cs.ucla.edu/ reports a little over 10.000 zones signed, only little under 1000 are production zones
- Reverse zones in the RIPE region
- .se, .pr, .br and .bg are signed top level domains
- .uk, .arpa, .org, and a few enum trees have voiced some form of commitment
- There is a testbed for the root



Chicken and Egg

- Little deployment means little experience and few tools.
- Little experience and few tools increase the cost of deployment
- Little signing infrastructure to justify cost of validation
- Little validators to justify the signing infrastructure
- No short term benefits, only long term



Breaking the Egg

- Deployment by the custodians of the DNS infrastructure (TLDs and the Root) allows others to hook in
- Resolver side deployment to immediately benifit



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